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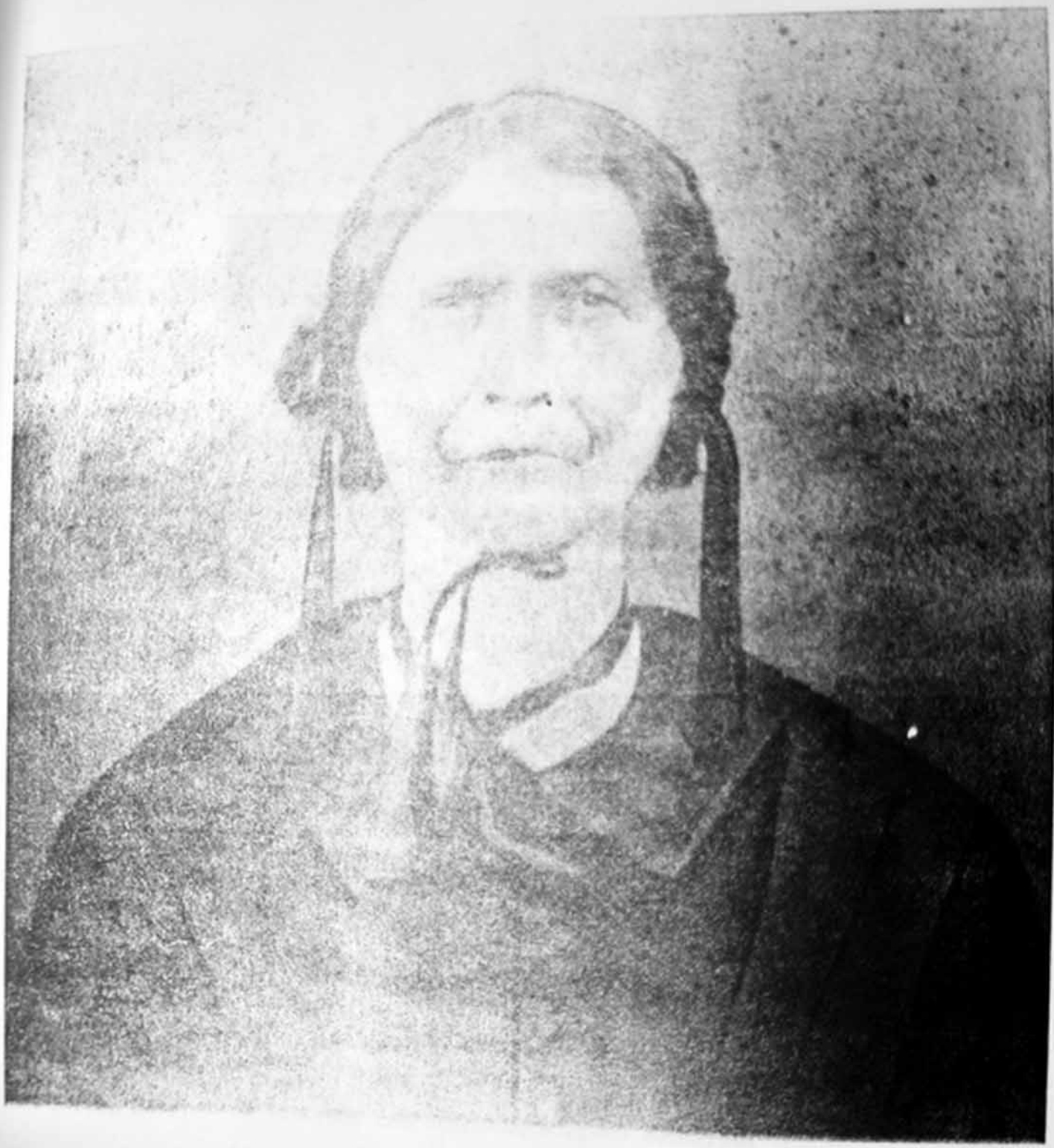
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DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF MY FATHER AND MOTHER
GEORGE OLIVER AND MARTHA ELIZA RODGERS AULDRIDGE

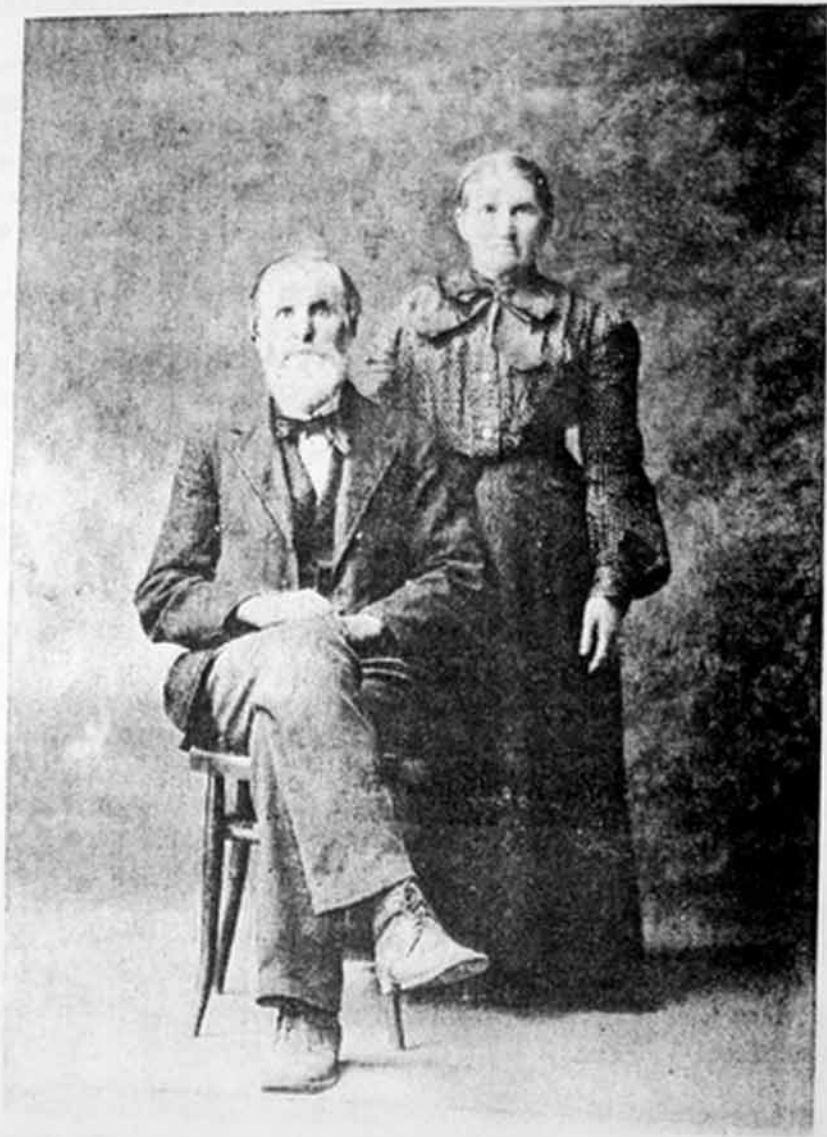
Appreciation is expressed to the various members of the family who have supplied information for this genealogy and to my daughter, Jean, and her husband, Jerry, for typing and printing.--Lillie O. Auldrige Holliday.



SAMUEL ALDRIDGE



SUSAN GRIMES AULDRIDGE
(wife of Samuel Auldridge)



TILLISON and SUSANNAH BUZZARD AULDRIDGE

THE AULDRIDGE FAMILY

I, Lillie Auldrige Holliday, have for some years been interested in the genealogy of my parents, the Auldrige-Rodgers families, and have compiled what information I have been able to gather from relatives and Historical Sketches Pocahontas County West Virginia by William T. Price.

My great-great-great grandfather Auldrige was a native of England and died there, I do not know his given name but he and his wife Elizabeth had one son, William. After her husband's death, Elizabeth determined to bring her son, who was 10 or 12, to America where he could grow up in a free country. Not having money for ship passage, she came under the indentured servants statute and became a governess for John Johnson, whose wife had died previously, leaving a number of small children. John Johnson owned a plantation of 1500 acres on Jericho Road close Marlinton. He and Elizabeth Auldrige were later married. She died at the age of 114 years and lived to see two of her husband's grandsons become U. S. Senators--Senator Ewing of Ohio and Senator Farnsworth of W. Va. A Stevenson married into the Ewing family and in their line we had an Adlai Ewing Stevenson as Vice President of the United States.

William, my great-great grandfather, married Mary Cochran. Her mother was a Miss Mackenie who married Thomas Cochran a native of Ireland. Mary had two brothers and two sisters. The Cochrans lived at Mill Point. William and Mary went to house-keeping at Bridger Notch where James and John Bridger were bushwhacked by the Indians in 1784. William and Mary Auldrige had nine children: Sarah, Elizabeth, Nancy, Thomas, William, John, Samuel, James and Richard.

I. Sarah Auldrige married William McClure. They settled on Greenbrier River below Beaver Creek. There were four children: James, Rachel, Mary and Bessie. Rachel became Mrs. Jacob Pyles. Mary became Mrs. George Overholt on Swago. Bessie died in youth. James married three times--McComb, Pyles and Adkenson.

II. Elizabeth Auldrige married Jacob McNiell and settled in Floyd County, Va.

III. Nancy Auldrige married Moore McNiell and settled on Swago.

IV. Thomas, considered one of the strongest men, physically, in Pocahontas County, married Elizabeth Morrison. There were six children: James, William, Thomas, Sarah, Elizabeth and Mary.

A. James first married Ann Barlow. Their children were: Mariam, Elizabeth, Moffett and George. Ann and all the children except George died in a disease epidemic.

1. George married Hulda Cassell.

A. James second marriage was to Julia Duncan. She was the granddaughter of Colonel John Baxter.

1. One daughter to this marriage married Lee Carter.

V. William Auldrige, Jr. married Nancy Kellison.

A. Martha married George Hill, son of Abram Hill. While George Hill was in service in 1861 at Valley Mountain, he contracted measles, came home, and he and Martha died of them within a week leaving one daughter.

1. The daughter married Robert Shafer.

V. William Auldrige, Jr.'s. second wife was a Miss Shafer.

A. Edgar

VI. John Auldrige married Rebecca Smith whose father was John Smith, a native of Ireland. Rebecca lived over 90 years.

A. Nancy Newcomer, daughter, lived in Ronceverte, N. Va.

VII. James Auldrige was a tailor. He worked awhile at Frankford and then went to Missouri.

VIII. Richard Aldridge married Hannah Smith, daughter of John Smith and a sister of Rebecca. Richard was killed in the Civil War.

- A. John served in the Confederate Army and was killed in the Battle of Gettysburg.
- B. Allen served in the Confederate Army. After the war he moved to Kansas, taking his mother and sister there.

IX. Samuel Aldridge, my great grandfather, married Mariam Barlow and settled at Bridges Notch and finally on Greenbrier River near Stamping Creek. Children of this marriage were: William, John and Mary Ann, who died young. John was a Confederate soldier and was killed in action.

*Samuel
Barlow
father
mother*

William settled at Mill Point and married Effie Penell. Their children were Ruben, S.B. (Sandy) and one daughter, Mary.

- 1. Ruben was born in 1882 and died in 1950. He married Belvesta Cutshall. They had two sons: William who died in infancy and Robert, who is an architect in New York.
- 2. Sandy was born in 1881 and died in 1963. He married Emma Smith and lived in Hillsboro. There were two children, Gail and Lucy.
 - a. Gail was born July 4, 1904. He graduated from W. Va. University, taught school a number of years and worked with the Southern Soil Conservation District. He married Lora Hale McGregor. They have three daughters.
 - (1) Carolyn Jane, a Lieutenant Colonel in the Marines at Quantico, Virginia.
 - (2) Elizabeth Ann, married a law student, Drew Ralston. They live in Columbus, Ohio.
 - (3) Sandra Lee married Major Glenn Higgins. They live in Springfield and have two sons, Michael Lee and Douglas Edwards.
 - b. Lucy was born August 5, 1912. She married Wilbur Duff and lives in Standardsville, Virginia.
- 3. Mary married Harry Harper. She was born in 1876 and died in 1969. They had five children: Edith, Wardell, Frank, Henry Lee and Julian.
 - a. Edith married Sam Burdette. They live in Hillsboro and have two sons. Jack lives in Moundsville and David in Florida.
 - b. Wardell lives in Huntington, is married, and has two children, Betty and Billy.
 - c. Frank married Grace Johnson. He is deceased. They had ~~two~~⁵ children. *Barbara, Sue, Daniel, W. Lawrence + Wayne*.
 - (1) Barbara married Porter Smith and lives at Romney.
 - (2) Sue married Charles Richardson, Jr. ~~They have three children, Dan, Wayne and Dianne.~~
 - d. Henry Lee married Virginia Miller. They have two sons, Henry Lee, Jr. and Alfred, and one daughter.
 - e. Julian is married and has two sons. One is a minister in Arizona.

*Samuel
Barlow
father
mother*

X. Samuel Aldridge's second wife was Susan Grimes. They are both buried at McNeil Cemetery. At first they lived on the Greenbrier River close Seebert, at what is now the Colter Place. It was here my grandfather Tillison was born. They moved later to what is now the Beckley Pyles home place, sold and moved to Aldridge Mountain, close Buckeye. There were five children to this union: 'Tillison, Charles, Luther, Elizabeth and McKendry.

*George
Oliver
father*

- A. Tillison Morgan Aldridge was born January 28, 1846. On February 14, 1867 he married Susannah Elizabeth Buzzard. She was born October 16, 1845 and died February 7, 1941, living to be over 95 years of age. Tillison died April 28, 1910 at 64 years. They lived on a farm close Buckeye, W. Va. and had 11 children. They were: Jasper John, George Oliver, Nancy Mary Martha,

Emory Eliot, Ivetta Eliza Jane, Asa Watts, Laverna Susan, Joseph Winters, Minty Mae, Bertha Anna, and Davis Tillison.

1. Jasper John was born March 6, 1868 and died July 2, 1914 at 46 years of age. He married Margaret Perry. They had charge of a lumber company hotel at Denmar, W. Va. and lived there for a number of years. There were no children. After his death she married a Mr. Garrett and died a few years later.

2. George Oliver Auldridge, my father, was born August 11, 1869 and died March 31, 1968 at 98 years and 7 months of age. He was married to Martha Eliza Rodgers October 7, 1896. They were married at the "lower" Methodist Church at Buckeye by The Reverend George Echols. The little church is still in use. A cemetery is in the churchyard. They lived for a time at the Waugh place close Hillsboro. It was here their oldest child, Leonard Clifton was born. Oliver then purchased a tract of land close and built a home where the other 3 children were born.

Oliver and Eliza worked hard on their farm for a livelihood. They were not rich in material things but they left to their children a rich spiritual heritage that was worth much more. They were charter members of the Seebert Methodist Church. Before the church was built they met in a home for services. My father was church school superintendent for about forty years. Mother was always active in church and taught a Sunday School class. We lived about 2 miles away but regardless of weather they took their "brood" to church. This little church, that stands on a knoll surrounded by trees, looks down on the town of Seebert. It will always be very dear to me. Our daughter Jean has warm memories here, too, as she stayed with her grand-parents a lot during the summer months and attended church with them.

Eliza Auldridge passed away May 20, 1945 and is buried in the Marlinton Cemetery. After mother's death, my father lived in our home most of his remaining 23 years. He never lost interest in life or his church. He is buried beside mother and my brother Lake, in the Marlinton Cemetery.

The children of Oliver and Eliza Auldridge were: Leonard Clifton, Emory Lake, Elizabeth, and Lillie Olive.

a. Leonard Clifton was born July 6, 1897 and died June 9, 1959. He is buried at The End of the Trail close Clintonville, W. Va. He was married to Myrtle Woodell, June 19, 1917. She was born May 8, 1889 and died November 9, 1952. She is buried at Marlinton Cemetery. She suffered with asthma from childhood and died of heart failure at 64 years of age. Leonard and Myrtle lived for a time on a farm close Seebert. He later worked for a lumber company at Spice Run and Spring Creek and finally as a Chesapeake and Ohio Railway agent at Prince. Their children received the heritage of a Christian home.

They had four children. The oldest, a son, died at birth in 1919. Their other children were: Leonard Clifton, Jr. born January 21, 1921; George Andrew born August 6, 1922; and Martha Frances born June 12, 1924.

(1) Leonard C., Jr. served in the Navy during World War II. Returning home, he worked for awhile in New Britain, Connecticut. where he met and married Mary Lombardo. Mary was born September 7, 1925. They moved to Huntington, where he attended Marshall University. Three of their four children were born there. Their youngest child was born in New Britain, Connecticut, where they have lived for a number of years. Their children are: Patricia Ann, born May 19, 1948; Leonard Clifton III, born December 10, 1949; Mary Frances born March 3, 1951 and Paula born May 30, 1953. The three daughters are at home. Leonard Clifton III is in the Marine Corps.

(2) Andrew, the second son of L. C. Auldridge, Sr., graduated from Frankford High School and entered the Navy during World War II. On returning he was employed for a time in New Britain, Connecticut and is now in the signal maintenance force of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway. He is single and lives in New Buffalo, Michigan.

(3) Martha Frances received an R.N. degree from Laird Memorial Hospital, Montgomery, W. Va., entered the Army Nurse Corps and was later stationed in Germany. Here she met Billy Wayne Frye, who was also in service and stationed there. They were married after returning to the United States. They live in Oak Hill and have one daughter, Janet, born March 2, 1953. Billy teaches at W. Va. Institute of Technology and Janet is now attending school there.

a. Leonard Clifton Sr's. second marriage was to Mrs. Dottie Holliday Richmond in October 1953. She was born at Smoot, W. Va., October 23, 1906 and died April 9, 1970. She had two daughters by a previous marriage: Barbara who married Harold Knuckles; and Anna, married to Bascomb Rodgers. The Knuckles live in Hyattsville, Md. and have four children--Gary, Beverley, Allen and Mark. The Rodgers have two sons--Greg and Terry.

b. Lake was born May 3, 1899 and died of a coronary attack February 23, 1957. As a young man he worked on the farm and later for the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company. Following this he had a mail route. Lake never married. He was a friend to every one and faithful to his church.

c. Elizabeth (Lizzy) was born in June 1901. She died of meningitis in 1902 at the age of 9 months.

d. I, Lillie Olive, was born close Hillsboro, November 5, 1903 and was married to Charles Roscoe Holliday July 6, 1923. We started housekeeping at Spring Creek, W. Va. where Charles was station agent for the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway. It was here that our daughter, Vinita Jean was born, April 14, 1924. We received D. O. degrees from the Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery in June 1939 and retired from practice in 1962. We are now living at Lewisburg, W. Va. *died 11-17-89*

(1) Vinita Jean received a B. S. degree from West Virginia Institute of Technology and later graduated from Bluefield Business College. On May 30, 1946 she and Oscar Jerrell Bailes from Richwood were married in the Montgomery Baptist Church by the Reverend Brown McDonald. Jerry was born at Richwood, W. Va. November 21, 1923. He attended West Virginia Institute of Technology, Marshall University and Concord College and received his D. O. degree from the Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery in 1952. They live in Princeton where he is in practice. They have three children: Cheryl Ann, Debora Sue and Charles Jerrell.

(a) Cheryl Ann was born in Princeton, February 18, 1948, in the home of her grandparents, who made the delivery. She was married February 14, 1970 to Dennie Leon Landreth, Jr., by the Reverend Jimmy Jones, in the Johnston Memorial Baptist Church at Princeton. Leon was born January 23, 1949. They are both 1970 graduates from Concord College. Cheryl teaches kindergarten at Beaver Elementary School and Leon is the band director at Shady Springs Junior High School. They live in Beaver, W. Va.

(b) Debora Sue was born April 1, 1949 in Kansas City, Missouri. She graduated cum laude from Marshall University in 1971 and is the band director at Dawson Bryant High School, Coal Grove, Ohio.

- (c) Charles Jerrell was born September 28, 1951, in Kansas City, Missouri. He was married August 22, 1968 to Deborah Ann Wilson. She was born July 10, 1951 and plans to be a laboratory technician. Jerry is majoring in Theatre and Music at Marshall University.
3. Nancy Mary Martha (Nannie) Auldridge was born February 10, 1871 and died February 22, 1963 at 92 years of age. She was married in 1900 to George Washington Bentzel who died September 1, 1933. They have two sons, Winters Harry and George Washington, Jr., both born in Marlinton, W. Va.
- a. Winters Harry was born April 20, 1906 and died September 27, 1971. He was married August 1 to Ruby Hutsenpillar, who was born September 13, 1905. He was an IBM engineer and they lived at Dawson, W. Va. The children are: Marien Elizabeth, Barbara Ann, Linda Carol and Nancy Eileen.
- (1) Marien was born February 10, 1927 and married Herbert Clark Herring April 5, 1947. They have five children: Rosemary Ester, born June 7, 1949, who is in the fifth year of Pharmacy in W. Va. University; Alison Elizabeth, born March 22, 1952, attending college in New Jersey; David Clark born December 20, 1954; Carolyn Leigh born April 4, 1959 and Jennifer Lynn born October 11, 1961.
- (2) Barbara Ann was born January 20, 1938 and was married May 27, 1956 to Louis Hartley Loudermilk. There are three children: Dale Hartley, born February 1958; Elizabeth Ann, born October 1959; and Lisa Michelle born April 1961.
- (3) Linda Carol, born October 12, 1940, married David Sylvester Pitts April 1962. They have a daughter, Kimberly Beth, born December 27, 1962.
- (4) Nancy Eileen, born January 3, 1947, married William Haney English, December 29, 1966. They have two sons: William Haney, Jr. born September 22, 1969 and David Sayles, born June 24, 1971.
- b. George Washington Bentzel, Jr. was married December 14, 1940 to Dorothy Alice Miller. They have three children: Mary Louise; Frank Lewis; and Judy Ann. They live in Pinedale, Wyoming.
4. Emory Eliot Auldridge was born April 18, 1873 and died September 16, 1874.
5. Ivetta Auldridge was born August 12, 1874 and died August 22, 1911.
6. Asa Watts Auldridge was born November 20, 1875. He married Katherine Simmons (Kate) in the Methodist Church in Monterey, Va. He died December 17, 1906 and she on July 19, 1970. They had two children: Robert Lee; and Susan Pearl. Katherine's second marriage was to Sterling Yeager.
- a. Robert Lee was born August 12, 1904 and was married to Glema Frances Long, January 9, 1931. She is a retired school teacher. They live in Lewisburg, W. Va.
- b. Susan Pearl was born September 11, 1906 and married Joseph William Sullivan, May 4, 1930. He was a dentist, now deceased. She lives in College Park, Md. They had five children: Michael Joseph, Helen Katharine, Margaret Louise, Mary Jo and Susan.
- (1) Michael Joseph, born January 17, 1931, married Ruth Ann Talliaferro. They have six children: Michael Joseph, Jr., Linda Susan, Katharine Ellen, Patricia Ruth, Jerry Brooke and Jon Eric.
- (2) Helen Katharine was born February 13, 1932 and is single. She teaches at Gallaudet College for the Deaf, the only college of its kind in the world.
- (3) Margaret Louise, born March 9, 1933, married Sidney Floyd Hoffman. They have three children: Donna Gray, Susan Gayle and Stephen Floyd.
- (4) Mary Jo born October 30, 1937, married Robert Michael Haskey. They have one son, Matthew Robert.
- (5) Susan was born December 27, 1942 and died 5 days later.

7. Laverna Susan (Lula) Auldridge married Howard Briscoe, October 10, 1899. They had three daughters. When the youngest was quite small he was drowned in the Greenbrier River near Stony Bottom. She taught school much of her life. Their children were Aileen, Grace and Lula Gay.

a. Aileen was born May 23, 1901 in Highland County, Va. She was married July 3, 1919 to Jesse Harmon Meeks. He was born August 29, 1882 and died September 23, 1945. She now lives in Hurricane, W. Va. They had eight children: Lucille Gay, Jesse H., Jr., Eugene Briscoe, William Gerald, Arthur, Jack O'Brien, David Alan, and Joseph Andrew.

(1) Lucille Gay was born April 11, 1920. During World War II she spent 28 months in England as an army nurse, 1st Lieutenant. She and Ernest Patterson were married June 6, 1945. They had a military wedding in England. They have three children: Cathy Gay, born June 2, 1950; Sue Ann, born November 21, 1952; and Steven, born April 10, 1954. They live in Tampa, Florida.

(2) Jesse H., Jr., was born August 24, 1921 and served in the Marines in the second World War. He married Hazel Dillon.

(3) Eugene Briscoe was born May 18, 1923. He was killed in action in World War II, February 3, 1945, in C. B. I. theatre of action.

(4) William Gerald was born December 14, 1926, served in the army two years and married Joan Dent. They had five children: W. Gerald, Jr., born May 14, 1949, died by electrocution of a live wire 1959; Michael David, born September 22, 1951, now in military service; Linda, born August 18, 1955; Gregory Allen born November 22, 1956; and Christopher Gay, born May 18, 1958.

(5) Arthur was born February 12, 1930. He was in military service, married Lola Mae Thornton and they have two children: Timothy Robert, born February 24, 1958; and Tamara Gail, born June 5, 1959.

(6) Jack O'Brien was born November 18, 1932 and died of a heart attack October 31, 1969. He married Fay Tucker. There were three children: Jacqueline Fay, born April 3, 1970; Debora, born August 16, 1962; and David Michael, born August 28, 1964.

(7) David Alan was born October 31, 1934 and died May 23, 1937 from complications of scarlet fever.

(8) Joseph Andrew was born April 23, 1939. He married Betty Smith and they have two children: Traci, born March 5, 1966; and Joseph Andrew, Jr., born August 13, 1968.

b. Grace was born at Dunmore, W. Va., June 10, 1903. She and Edgar Goodall, from Ronceverte, were married September 7, 1923. Edgar was born May 23, 1903. There were two daughters: Elizabeth O'Neil and Joan. Grace and Edgar live at Hurricane, W. Va.

(1) Elizabeth was born June 17, 1924. She married Delbert Moore and they live in Cleveland, Ohio. There are five children: Eddie, Ellis Gay, Susan Elizabeth, Cheryl, and Parker.

(a) Eddie was born October 30, 1942, and married Lillian Profant, June 15, 1963. They have two sons: John, born July 15, 1964; and Douglas, born April 20, 1967. They live in Westerville, Ohio.

(b) Ellis Gay was born October 10, 1946. He is married and has one daughter, Lisa Gay, born July 31, 1971. They live in Cleveland.

(c) Susan Elizabeth was born August 27, 1947. She married John Reidger. They live in Cleveland, Ohio, and have two daughters: Kimberly Sue, born July 12, 1967 and Mary Elizabeth, born May 9, 1971.

(d) Cheryl was born October 10, 1948.

(e) Parker was born May 17, 1950 and was married July 10, 1971 to Irene Basco.

(2) Joan was born July 18, 1926 and died October 17, 1927.

c. Lula Gay was born at Stony Bottom, June 22, 1905. She married Harland Cline, September 15, 1924. He is deceased. They had three children: Betty Jane; William Gay; and James Lynn.

(1) Betty Jane was born November 10, 1925. She married Alonzo (Hoagy) Dent. They have two children: Robert, who married a Miss Dunn; and Cheryl Kay.

(2) William Gay was born August 21, 1930. He is in California.

(3) James Lynn was born April 21, 1933. He married Betty Davis and they have four children: Stephen; Connie; Tammy and a baby 20 months.

Lula Gay's second husband is Walton E. Grove. They were married May 10, 1941, and live at Barboursville, W. Va.

Laverna Briscoe's (Lula) second marriage was to Woods Dilley of Cloverlick. He died a few years later of a heart attack. She married Lem Walker who died about a year afterward of cancer. Her last marriage was to W. H. Withrow, a school teacher. They both taught school for a number of years. He died in 1942 at 80 years of age.

8. Joseph Winters Auldridge was born July 11, 1879 and died May 7, 1916. He married Minnie Thornton and lived in Charleston, W. Va. until his death. There were no children. She died in Greenbrier Valley Hospital in Roncerverte, in 1969.

9. Minty Mae Auldridge was born October 6, 1880 and died October 16, 1881.

10. Bertha Anna Auldridge was born March 1, 1882 and died April 12, 1907. She married Clayburn Morrison in 1898 and they lived in Buckeye. There were five children: Violet; Theodore R; Frank; Taylor; and Anna.

a. Violet was born May 16, 1899 and died December 21, 1963. She married Will Bowers. There were six children: Helen, Bobby, Nell, Kathleen, Virginia, and Bertha Jo.

(1) Helen married Gilbert Famston. There were four children: Dexter, Margail, Michael and another daughter.

(2) Bobby died at 14 years of age.

(3) Nell married Darrell McClure. They have two children.

(4) Kathleen married Rex King and they have five children.

(5) Virginia married Eugene Gauslin and they have four children.

(6) Bertha Jo married Joe Smith. There are no children.

b. Theodore R. was born January 17, 1901. He worked for the Spring Creek Lumber Co., and while there married Sarah Jane Millard. They moved to Pickens and then to Manning, S. C. where Sarah Jane died September 13, 1965. There were three children: Georgia; Theodore, Jr. and Betty.

(1) Georgia was born January 25, 1926. She married Clifford Durham. They live in Las Vegas. They have no children.

(2) Theodore R., Jr., was born April 16, 1928. He married Avanelle Turner and they have three children: Paula, Jefferson, and Van. They live in Richwood, W. Va.

(3) Betty was born February 1, 1930. She married Jack Lesley. They have three children: Michael; Patrick; and Theodore. They live in Ft. Knox, Ky.

Theodore R. Sr., married Florence Roper, February 20, 1970.

c. Frank was born December 24, 1903, now deceased. He married Carrie Brown and lived on a farm near Hillsboro. Carrie teaches school. They had three children: Joan; Reta; and Bruce, who died at three years from being kicked by a horse.

(1) Joan married Richard Cuskey. They have five children: Cheryl Kaye; Craig Morrison; Carrie Ellen; Catherine Mae; and Constance Marie.

(2) Rita married Lanty Rose and they have two sons: Kreg and Bruce.

d. Taylor was born in 1905, married Anna Mary Moss and lived at Buckeye until his death, August 5, 1965. There were five children: Fred, Fay, Mescle, Keith, and Jack.

- (1) Fred is single and lives with his mother at Buckeye.
 - (2) Fay married Norman Gaylor and they have two children: Timothy, and Todd.
 - (3) Keith married Joyce Crawford. They have one daughter, Terri.
 - (4) Jack married Rosalie Rider. They have four children: Douglas, Arleen, David, and Kenneth.
- e. Anna was born in 1907. She married Rush McNeil, who died January 27, 1964. They lived near Buckeye. There were six children: Dempsey, Walter, Helen, Nancy, Vera, and Sherlin.
- (1) Dempsey married Mary Arnold and they have five children: Bobby, Tommy, Georgana, Barbara and Darrell.
 - (2) Walter is single.
 - (3) Helen married Curtis Carr. They have two children: Bruce and Chawna.
 - (4) Nancy married Pete Taylor and they have one son, Johnnie.
 - (5) Sherlin married John Ledford. They have two children: Johnnie and Randa Lee.
 - (6) Vera married Marion Hudson.
11. Davis Tillison Auldridge was born April 11, 1887. He married Lillie Jane Meeks June 12, 1912. She was the daughter of James and Isabell Doyle Meeks. Her birth date was December 19, 1879. They lived in Pocahontas County much of their life but in later years moved to Burkettsville, Md. where both died--he, on August 2, 1962 and she, April 4, 1969. There were four children: James Woodford; Isabell; Dexter; and David Tillison, Jr.
- a. James Woodford was born July 13, 1913 and was married October 3, 1941 to Elizabeth Gertrude Long. She was born May 20, 1918, is an R.N. and director of nurses in the local Health Department. There were two children: Douglas Eugene and Dianne Elizabeth.
- (1) Douglas Eugene was born July 19, 1942 and married Sandra Sue Collier July 14, 1967. They have one son, Charles Douglas, born September 26, 1969. They live in California.
 - (2) Dianne Elizabeth Auldridge was born December 11, 1943, and was married July 6, 1963 to John Robert Hall. There were two children: Keith Michael and Kevin Matthew, who was born February 20, 1965 and died April 13, 1965. Keith Michael was born December 23, 1963. Dianne and Robert were divorced in 1966. She married Patrick Michael Schurman September 10, 1967. He was born October 13, 1940. They have two children: Brian Patrick born October 3, 1968 and Sheryl Elizabeth, born July 20, 1970. Keith was legally adopted by Patrick Schurman in 1969.
- b. Isabell was born January 17, 1915. She was married to Clebert Edwin Patton August 11, 1936. They live at St. Albans, W. Va. There were three children: Van M., David Edwin, and Susan Jane.
- (1) Van M. was born May 13, 1937. He married Judy Craddock who was born January 23, 1944. There were two children: Pammy Ranae, born August 24, 1964; and Timothy Van born August 23, 1965.
 - (2) David Edwin was born August 16, 1941. He married Sheron Mayne born November 4, 1944. They have two sons: David Brian, born April 3, 1965 and Britt Anthony, born April 17, 1968.
 - (3) Susan Jane was born October 18, 1946 and married James Kevin Barthlow. He was born May 4, 1947. They have one child, Jonathan Corey, born January 1, 1971.
- c. Dexter was born April 16, 1916. He was married June 16, 1943 to Madge Carden. They have one son born June 26, 1953. They live in Charleston. Their son is in college.
- d. Davis T., Jr., was born August 28, 1920. He was married September 23, 1941 to Frankie E. Little, who was born September 1, 1921. She added to this information which I received from her (born again 1956).

How wonderful she thought to do this. Wouldn't it be marvelous and interesting to have a record of all our born-again dates. Three children were born to them: Davis Michael, Susan Elaine, and Mark Andrew. They live in Burkettsville, Md.

- (1) Davis Michael was married June 26, 1964 to Glenda Jean Biddinger. Her birthdate was December 1, 1946. They have four children: Marcia Jo, born July 7, 1965; Davis Michael, Jr., born May 31, 1966; Melinda Sue, born November 11, 1967; and Michelle Lee, born July 24, 1969.
- (2) Susan Elaine was born September 17, 1946. She was married June 12, 1964 to Frank DeSales Wilson, born January 10, 1944. They have a daughter, Tracy Leigh, born October 27, 1966.
- (3) Mark Andrew was born April 9, 1953.

B. Charles Auldridge, the second son of Samuel and Susan Grimes Auldridge, married Rebecca Claypool. They had one daughter, Maud, who married a Lemon. They had a daughter, Bernice, and a son, Jack. They live in Charleston, N. Va.

C. George Luther Auldridge, was born February 8, 1861 and died May 19, 1941. He married Martha Elizabeth Smith, July 29, 1885. She was born April 29, 1861, and died September 8, 1942. She was the daughter of Dr. Pleasant Smith, (born March 26 and died February 25, 1887) and Margaret Duncan Smith (born May 16, 1832 and died May 28, 1861). She had one sister, Eliza Jane Smith. George Luther and Martha Elizabeth Auldridge lived on a farm close Marvin Chapel. They had three children: Clyde; Nina M; and Glenna Susan.

1. Clyde was born May 21, 1887 and died in 1961. He married Molly Hogsette who died August 30, 1970. They had twin children: Elizabeth and Richard, born April 7, 1912. They lived at Marvin Chapel.

a. Elizabeth married Quade Arbogast, a Methodist minister. They have two children: Dottie and Donald. *died May 11, 1989*

(1) Dottie was born in 1941 and married Donald Lasley. They live in Nashville, Tenn.

(2) Donald was born in 1947 and married Elaine Barker in 1970. He is in the air force at San Angelo, Texas.

b. Richard married Ruth Sayler, September 18, 1947. They live in Denver, Colorado and have one daughter Kay Laynette, born April 7, 1953.

2. Nina M. was born July 7, 1890. She was married to James McCarty, August 20, 1912. Both were school teachers. They lived on a farm near Hillsboro for a time and then moved to East Calis, Vt. They had one daughter, Hazel. James is deceased. Hazel is a nurse and lives with her mother.

3. Glenna Susan was born March 11, 1898. She married Fred James Waugh, June 28, 1923. He died September 9, 1947 and Glenna Susan, September 9, 1949. They had four children: Dwight Fredric, Nina Ruth, Gladys Marie, and Robert Archie. *birth day Dec. 6, 1892*

a. Dwight Fredric was born May 23, 1924. He was married to Alice M. Landis June 22, 1954. She was born September 4, 1934. They have one son, Alan Gene, born March 1, 1957. They live in Harrison, Ohio. *died - Nov. 3, 1987 age 63 yrs*

b. Nina Ruth was born September 14, 1926. She was married to Cornelius P. Prichard, June 27, 1950. His birthdate was March 13, 1894. There was one daughter, Anita Jane, born August 1, 1960. Cornelius died April 26, 1968. Nina Ruth lives near Buckeye. *MARRIED Rev. Willis Cornelius*

c. Gladys Marie was born March 20, 1929. She married Winters H. Dean July 11, 1947. He was born March 31, 1927. They have two children: Linda Karen, born August 16, 1948; and Gary Wayne born February 17, 1951. They live at Leivasy, W. Va. *NOV 24, 1979. He died June 24, 1991 AGE 73 yrs*

d. Robert Archie was born June 27, 1932. He married Ruth A. Johnston June 20, 1956. She was born June 13, 1938. They have three sons: Albert Duaine born September 29, 1957; Gary Lynn born June 12, 1960; and Robert Earl born February 10, 1970. They live at Battle Ground, Ind. *AGE 73 yrs*

Died June 27, 1982

Died June 30, 1984

birth day Dec. 6, 1892

died - Nov. 3, 1987 age 63 yrs

NOV 24, 1979. He died June 24, 1991 AGE 73 yrs

- D. Martha Elizabeth Auldridge was born near Seebert, W. Va. on what is now known as the Beckley Pyles place, on December 10, 1855 and died July 10, 1918. She married William Clark Clendenen, Jr. the son of William and Jane Cochran Clendenen, who first lived at Locust Creek and moved to what was then the Clendenen Fort above Seebert at the mouth of Stamping Creek. William Clendenen, Jr. was born May 31, 1848 and died August 16, 1921. They lived on a farm about one mile from Seebert. Their children were: Ida M., Mary Anna, Lillie Rachel, Ira V., Susie Leverne, George Wanless, Samuel and Charles Coe.
1. Ida M. was born October 1, 1873 and died September 1, 1875.
 2. Mary Anna was born October 21, 1874 and died September 15, 1966. She married Thomas McCoy who died in April 1952. They had no children. They lived in Richwood, W. Va.
 3. Lillie Rachel was born June 11, 1878 and died April 5, 1889.
 4. Ira V. was born May 8, 1880 and died August 25, 1945. He married Lillie Pyles, daughter of J. B. and Sally Buzzard Pyles. She died April 8, 1930. The lived near Hillsboro, W. Va. and had no children. Ira's second marriage was to Beulah Zimmerman.
 5. Susie Leverne Clendenen was born February 12, 1883. She married Moody Asbury Pyles, son of J. B. and Sally Buzzard Pyles, December 30, 1903. They were married at Hillsboro by the Reverend Charles Lynch and settled on a farm on the Greenbrier River, about a mile north of Seebert, where they lived until after Moody's death, March 14, 1936. There were seven children: Gyle Bliss; Laura Grace; Gay; Beulah Jane; Marie Agnes; Martha Elizabeth; Garland Clendenen; and Phyllis Juanita.
 - a. Gyle was born July 17, 1905. He received a degree in Electrical Engineering from W. Va. University and is employed by a mining company in Duluth, Minn. He married Irene Gardiepy, November 2, 1935. They have one daughter, Joanne Elizabeth, born July 31, 1938.
 - (1) Joanne Elizabeth married Robert A. Pavich, June 16, 1962. They have three daughters: Michelle Marie, born June 17, 1963; Mary Beth born September 9, 1964 and Melanie Ann born December 15, 1970.
 - b. Laura was born February 10, 1907. She received a Masters degree from Marshall University and teaches in Hillsboro. She and her mother live in Seebert.
 - c. Gay was born April 17, 1909. He was married October 3, 1931 to Helen Hebb. They have a farm near Hillsboro and Gay works for the board of education. They have four children: Bonnie Corynne born January 9, 1933; William Moody born July 17, 1936; Wylantha Jane born January 13, 1942; and Timothy Gay born February 13, 1945.
 - (1) Bonnie married John A. Harrison, July 11, 1953 and lives in Andover, Mass. They have two children: Vicki Dawne born September 19, 1954 and Craig Brent born April 3, 1960.
 - (2) Billy married Diane Flewelling, April 18, 1959. They live in Bedford, Mass and have four children: Debora born May 26, 1960; Brenda born May 18, 1962; Suzanne born June 20, 1963; and William, Jr. born September 14, 1965.
 - (3) Wylantha Jane was married July 5, 1959 to Kenneth May. They have three children: Nicholas born June 13, 1960; Douglas born March 1962 and Bryan born November 16, 1965.
 - (4) Timothy was married August 3, 1966 to Sharan Wright. They have one daughter, Gaylene Marie, born June 3, 1967.
 - d. Beulah Jane was born April 27, 1911 and was married January 16, 1942 to James Wyatt Jones, born March 4, 1912. Jane is a beautician and Wyatt works for the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad. They live in Fayetteville, W. Va. They have one son, James Wyatt Jones, Jr., born March 17, 1945.
 - (1) James Wyatt Jr., married Karen Wilson, August 9, 1969. He is a graduate of W. Va. University and is the high school band director at Fayetteville. Karen teaches there also.

e. Marie Agnes was born December 8, 1914. She was married December 31 1939 to Franklin Nutter. He is in insurance and she is a beautician. They live in St. Albans and have one son, Franklin Winston.

(1) Franklin Winston is a college graduate now in the U. S. Navy. f. Martha Elizabeth was born September 30, 1918. She was married December 30, 1939 to John McKenna. He was born August 24, 1906 and was a chemical engineer, now retired. They live in Paducah, Ky. and have three children: Johnny Vincent; Joseph Patrick; and Elizabeth Ann.

(1) Johnny Vincent was born August 18, 1941 and was married October 1, 1966 to Vicky Covington. She was born January 12, 1946. They have a daughter, Kelly Ann, born July 18, 1969.

(2) Joseph Patrick was born June 3, 1945 and married Susan Wilson January 23, 1965. She was born June 17, 1946. They have two daughters: Cindy, born July 31, 1965; and Charlott, born September 3, 1968.

(3) Elizabeth Ann was born September 19, 1957. g. Garland was born March 17, 1922 and died December 31, 1923.

h. Phyllis Jaunita was born October 27, 1924. She attended business college in Charleston and was married May 30, 1942 to Verle Hambrick. Verle was born October 1, 1923. He is a retired navy officer and they live in Lewisburg, W. Va. There were three children: Susan Elizabeth; Virginia Adair; and Ann Harper.

(1) Susan Elizabeth was born June 1, 1945, married Jerry Lee Banton, and they live on a farm near Lewisburg. They have a son, Jerry Harper, born December 27, 1965. Susan has a business education and now works in the First National Bank of Ronceverte.

(2) Virginia Adair was born March 21, 1947 and attended Marshall University. She is at home and works in her father's office.

(3) Ann Harper was born November 7, 1949 and died January 7, 1964.

6. George Wanless Clendenen was born August 30, 1885 near Seebert, W. Va. He and Iva Bruffey were married February 24, 1909 at her parents home at Lobelia, W. Va. by the Reverend C. M. Anderson. Iva was born October 15, 1891 and is the daughter of the late William Allen and Martha Jane Corron Bruffey. Iva and George lived in Hillsboro until after his death, July 18, 1963. She now lives with her daughter, Ida, in Ronceverte. They had four children: Esther Martha; Ida Pearl; William Darrell; and George Wardell.

a. Esther was born November 12, 1910. She received an R. N. degree from the Davis Memorial Hospital in Elkins, W. Va. and has continued active in her profession. She married Beltron Wilmoth, February 2, 1945. They lived in Los Alamos, N. M., where she has continued to live since his death September 4, 1967. There were no children.

b. Ida Pearl was born January 26, 1913, married John LaRue March 12, 1934 and they had one daughter, Janice, born March 30, 1937. He died September 9, 1947. Ida has an R. N. from Davis Memorial Hospital in Elkins and is nursing in the Greenbrier Valley Hospital in Ronceverte.

(1) Janice married Jerrell Lee Brown and had three children: John Cameron, born May 13, 1956; George Robert, born October 27, 1957; and Less Ann, born October 23, 1962. Her second marriage was to Donald Gumm.

c. William Darrell was born September 6, 1915. He spent 22 years in the U. S. Navy. He married Edna Gladwell who died September 9, 1964. Darrell died September 29, 1966. There were no children.

d. George Wardell was born October 11, 1918 and served in the Army during World War II. He married Ruth Cutlip November 25, 1942. They live in Pennsylvania and have a daughter, Carolyn Sue, born August 3, 1943.

(1) Carolyn Sue received an R.N. degree from West Penn Hospital, Pittsburg. She married Richard Scrabaki and they have a daughter, Christine Lynn, born June 2, 1971.

7. Samuel Clendenen was born March 24, 1888 and died August 6, 1889.
8. Charles Coe Clendenen was born February 3, 1892 and died February 13, 1956. He married Ginger Carter. They had three daughters: Patricia, who married Hugh McClements, and had no children; Sharon (who is single); and Charlott, who married Edward Secker. They had two children: Charles Dawn and Patrick, and they live in Florida.
- E. Jasper McKendry Auldridge, the youngest son of Samuel Auldridge, married Lena McCoy. He died in 1952 and she in 1947. There were three children: Harry, who was born in 1902 and died in 1930; Enoch was born March 23 and remains single; and Trudy, who was born August 26, 1904.
1. Trudy was married March 29, 1929 to John Fuller. He was born October 14, 1892. They live near Frankford and have four children: Seldon, Thelma, Mary and Alice.
- a. Seldon was born December 30, 1929. He married Annie Legg and lives at Maxwellton. They have two children, George and Cynthia.
- b. Thelma was born July 7, 1933. She married Carl Kincaid. They have six children: Patricia; Kyla; Constance; Ellen; Koren; Cheryl and Kevin.
- c. Mary was born December 5, 1939. Her first marriage was to Charles Blankenship. There were four children: Judy; Charles; Roger; and Pamela. Mary's second marriage was to Verlin Dean. There were no children.
- d. Alice was born September 24, 1942. Alice married Alton Massie. They have two children: John Edwin and Margaret Ellen.

I regret that the information given on the Auldridge's is more complete for some families than others. I am sure there are interesting facts that could have been added but it has been most difficult to get all the information. My suggestion is that each family head add to this, the information that will be of interest to your children and future generations.



OLIVER and ELIZA AULDRIDGE
(my parents)



THE BAILES FAMILY (1962)
My daughter, Jean (upper right) and her husband, Jerry (upper left). Bottom row from left to right, their children, Suzy Jerry and Cheryl.



GEORGE OLIVER and MARTHA ELIZA RODGERS AULDRIDGE
and children left to right: Lake, Lillie, and Leonard



Left to right: Jean Holliday Barlow, Dr's. Charles and Lillie Auldridge Holliday



Family of Jacob Beckley and Sara Jane Buzzard Pyles
 Left to right: Elburn, Lillie, Moody, Ernest, Jacob
 Beckley, Docia, Sara Jane, Peyton, Auburn, Louversia
 and Sherman.

From Historical Sketches of Pocahontas County, W. Va., by William T. Price. "Ruben Buzzard, the progenitor of the Buzzards, was the son of an emigrant from Germany, who settled near Lancaster, Pa. Upon his marriage with a Miss Sicafoose, in Pendleton County, he settled on lands now in possession of his descendants between Glade and Frost. An apple tree found near his frontier home may have been the largest in the state. It measured three feet and six inches in diameter. The branches were about forty feet long. Seventy-five bushels have been gathered from this tree at one time". William T. Price further states, "From what we can gather from Ruben Buzzard's personality, he seems to have been a man that pondered Agur's prayer to good purpose: 'Two things have I required of Thee, deny me them not before I die. Remove far from me vanity and lies; give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with food convenient for me: Lest I be full, and deny Thee, and say, Who is the Lord? or lest I be poor, and steal, and take the name of my God in vain.'" Proverbs 30: 7-9.

These early settlers (my great-great grandparents) were the parents of four daughters: Susan; Fannie; Hester; and Martha and five sons: Eli; Solomon, Henry; Ruben; and Sampson.

- I. Fannie Buzzard was married to Benjamin Buzzard and lived in Greenbrier County.
- II. Hester Buzzard became Mrs. Henry Grimes and lived in the Hills.
- III. Martha Buzzard was married to Charles Grimes and lived in the Hills near Mt. Zion.
- IV. Eli Buzzard married Margaret Moore. They had four sons: Arminius; Morgan; Peter; and Perry. Two girls were Laura and Phoebe. Arminius was a Union soldier, a member of Co. D. 10th W. Va. Infantry. Perry belonged to Co. 1, 3rd W. Va. Cavalry and died in a Maryland Hospital in 1864.
- V. Solomon Buzzard married Rachel Grimes. Their children were Wesley, Jesse, Susan and Mary.
- VI. Sampson Buzzard married Eleanor Knapp. Their children were Cornelias, Cronin, Mildred and Jerusha.
 - A. Mildred married Abram Shinneberry and settled near Cloverlick
 - B. Jerusha became Mrs. Isaac Shinneberry and settled near Glade Hill.
- VII. Henry Buzzard (my great-grandfather) married Mary Hannah, daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth Burnsides Hannah, and lived on Cummings Creek near Huntersville. Their daughter, Sara Jane (Sally), became the wife of J. Beckley Pyles and another daughter, Susan (my grandmother) married Tillison Auldridge. (Joseph Hannah was the son of David Hannah).
 - A. Sara Jane (Sally) was born February 14, 1848 and died March 12, 1932. She married Jacob Beckley Pyles born December 4, 1848, died March 3, 1924. They settled on a farm on the Greenbrier River, near Seebert. This was once the Samuel Auldridge property. Their children were: Sherman; Louversia; Auburn; Moody; Lillie; Elburn; Peyton; Docia and Ernest.
 1. Sherman was born June 2, 1874. He was married to Ettie Smith and they had two children: Emma and Hubert. He died in 1967 at 93 years and is buried at Smith Cemetery.
 - a. Emma married Guy McComb and there were four children: Earl; Jean; Sherman and Paul
 - b. Hubert married Jewel Turner. They had four children: Thelma; Emma; Mary and Nellie.
 2. Louversia was born January 1, 1876. She was married to William Killeen. There were three children: Margaret; Myrhl; and Timmy, who died in infancy.
 - a. Margaret married Frank Moore, deceased. Three children were born to them: William; Stanley; and Daniel. The three sons are married. Daniel is a physician and lives in New Orleans, La. Margaret lives with them.
 - b. Myrhl married Ralph Burns. She is deceased. They had two children: Richard and Patricia Lee.

(1) Patricia married Eugene Brown and they have two sons.
 (2) Richard married Carolyn Hodge. They live at Hillsboro and he is an associate with his father in the trucking business. They have one child.

3. Auburn O. Pyles was born December 10, 1879 and died October 6, 1963. He was married August 15, 1906 to Grace Mabel Wade, who died March 24, 1968. They had one daughter born February 1, 1916, who died at birth. They settled at Seebert where they had a general store.

4. Moody A. was born November 14, 1880 and died March 14, 1936. He was married December 30, 1903 to Susie Leverne Clendenen, daughter of William and Elizabeth Auldridge Clendenen. There were seven children: Gyle; Laura; Gay; Beulah Jane; Marie; Martha; Garland; and Phyllis. This is more complete in the Auldridge history.

5. Lillie was born April 28, 1882 and died April 8, 1930. She was married to Ira Clendenen. They lived near Hillsboro. Ira died August 25, 1945. He was the son of William C. and Elizabeth Auldridge Clendenen. They had no children.

6. Elburn G. was born July 19, 1885 at Huntersville, W. Va. He died November 27, 1969 at the Greenbrier Manor Nursing Home, Lewisburg, W. Va. He had lived with his daughter, Dortha and son-in-law Clyde Bennett since the death of his wife. He was married November 24, 1909 to Bessie Susan Wade. She died March 5, 1967. They had four daughters: Margie; Dortha; Ruth; and Lucille. This is more complete in the Rodgers history.

7. Peyton was born October 18, 1887. He married Gerusia Evans. There were no children.

8. Docia was born March 14, 1891. She married Luke Cook and had nine children: Verl born 1909, married to Hally Kershner; Arnold born 1912; Lola born 1914, married an Oscar; Earl born 1916; Thurmond born 1918; Jesse born 1920; Berlin, works at the Greenbrier Valley Hospital, is married and has no children; Raymond; and Glenna Pearl, who married a Lane.

9. Ernest was born February 7, 1895. He lives on the home place on the Greenbrier River near Seebert. His first marriage was to Anna Cook, November 20, 1914. There were three children: James; Richard and Virginia.
 a. James was born in 1915 and married a Miss Brag. There were four children: Dan; Eugene; Ernie; and Janice. Dan is married and has one child.

b. Richard was born in 1917. He married Glenna Starcher. They have one son, Richard, Jr., who is married and has one son, William

c. Virginia was born in 1918 and married Hunter Stull. They have two children: Jean and Billy Hunter, Jr.

Ernest's second marriage was April 20, 1925 to Mrs. Stella Grimes Kane. She had one daughter, Dolly Kane, to her previous marriage. Five children were born to this union: Roy; Basil; Charles; Wanda and Curtis.

a. Roy was born in 1931 and married Deloras Stepp. There are three children: Carla Jean; Carol Lee; and Harland.

b. Basil was born in 1934 and married Velma Morrison. They have one son Robert.

c. Charles was born in 1935. He married Judy Knight. He has one step-daughter, Jane. They live in Seebert.

d. Curtis was born in 1943 and married Irene Roberts. There are three children: Glenda, Kelly and Ernest Dorwood.

8. Susan Buzzard, (my grandmother), daughter of Henry and Mary Hanna Buzzard was born October 16, 1845 and died February 7, 1941. She was married February 14, 1867 to Tillison Morgan Auldridge. Eleven children were born to them: Jasper; George Oliver; Nancy (Nannie), Emory, Ivetta, Asa, Laverna (Lula), Winters, Minty, Bertha, and Davis T. This is more complete in the Auldridge family history.

Susan Buzzard's second wife was a Perkins. There were two sons, Moses, who died and George who married a Smith. He was a carpenter and is deceased.

James Rodgers, my great-grandfather, was a native of Madison County, born February 15, 1789. His first marriage was with a Miss Jackson, also of Madison County. He moved to Pocahontas County in 1824 and settled on Lewis Ridge, overlooking Buckeye Cove. Thus he and his family became identified with Pocahontas County almost from his organization.

Quoting from Historical Sketches Pocahontas County, W. Va., by William T. Price: James Rodgers was an industrious person whose arduous toils and severe privations helped to make our county what it is.

In his time, James Rodgers had the reputation of being one of the most industrious of working men. He tried to train his sons and daughters to habits of industry and strict economy. Soon as they became old enough for service they went from home and found ready employment as field hands and housekeepers. This venerable man was a zealous and devoted adherent of the Methodist Protestant church. He was one of the first members in the Buckeye society and probably one of the first in the county. His prayers and experience talks were in good language, interspersed with allusions to the parables and quotations of the promises. All this indicated that in early, impressive youth he must have been familiar with persons of more than ordinary culture, such as Madison County was distinguished for. In his speech he had the tone and style that characterized the old Virginia gentry, as the writer learned to know in subsequent years from actual acquaintance with east Virginians.

The writer cherishes the memory of this old citizen with feelings of much respect, as the two often toiled in the meadows and harvest fields side by side in his boyhood. He remembers being often impressed by the pathos and fervency of the old man's occasional prayers in the morning worship. This was something which was never omitted in the old Marlinton home.

The belief of the older people was that 'prayer and provender hinder no man', and so time was always found for prayer, as well as for breakfast and supper.

Some of his expressions still linger in memory after more than fifty years. (The first edition of this book was published July, 19, 1901.) One was an allusion to the grapes of Eschol as typical of the richness of the promised land. His idea was that God would give his humble praying people here while on the pilgrimage, a cluster now and then from the heavenly vine so as to refresh and encourage them to put forth their earnest, faithful efforts to go up and receive possession of the heavenly land. This allusion was utilized as suggestive of a sermon prepared and preached by the writer thirty years ago. May we meet and see for ourselves the blessed land in all its richness and glorious beauty, and especially the vine from which the clusters were gathered that cheered and encouraged him."

Seven children were born to James Rodgers and his first wife: Robert, Joseph, Henry, Sarah, Elizabeth, Mary, and Tabitha. I have no information on six of them. Robert married Sally Smith, daughter of John Smith and Sally Moore Smith. They lived near Buckeye and later moved to Nicholas County.

James Rodgers second marriage was to Nellie Lewis (my great grandmother) of the Little Levels, (near Hillsboro). She was a granddaughter of Alexander Woddell of Scotch-Irish descent, and was one of the earliest settlers in the neighborhood of Marvin Chapel. Six children were born to James and Nellie Rodgers: Margaret Rebecca, William Chesley, John and James, Jr.

- I. Margaret became Mrs. Henry Adkison
- II. Rebecca became Mrs. Fillren
- III. William married Polly Flemming and settled near Buckeye
- IV. Chesley married Sally Morrison and settled near Jacox.
- V. John married a Miss Harter
- VI. James L. Rodgers, Jr. (my grandfather) was born at Buckeye, W. Va., January 1, 1831 and died January 1895. He was buried at Buckeye on the old home place. He married Sarah E. Burgess November 10, 1852. She was born at Buckeye October 18, 1825 and died October 17, 1878. She was buried at Buckeye. They live on a farm near Buckeye and had ten children: Newton C; Hannah E; George W; Davis A; John H; Margaret A; Adam; Martha Eliza (mother); Mary Frances; and Alvin W.
 - A. Newton Rodgers was born May 30, 1845 and died January 17, 1932. He was married December 5, 1878 to Fredrecca J. Kellison. She was born August 7, 1860 and died November 16, 1937. They lived at Buckeye and both were buried there. They had six children: Roxie E; Lemaster B; Mary Elizabeth; Morgan; Willie H; and John T.
 1. Roxie was born June 21, 1880 and died June 6, 1949. She was married April 12, 1898 to Edgar J. Ray. There were eight children: Floyd; Frankie; Ricky; Elizabeth; Sarah; Tom; Amon; and Ethel. Floyd and Ethel are deceased.
 2. Lemaster was born May 9, 1882. He was married May 16, 1906 to Savannah Beverage. Both are deceased. There were six children: Anna; Lenna; Clyde; Clinton; John; and James.
 3. Mary Elizabeth was born August 28, 1884 and died May 27, 1936. She was married October 15, 1908 to Darley W. Williams. They lived in Marlinton and had two children, Elizabeth and Marguerite.
 - a. Elizabeth married E. W. Rexrode. They live in Marlinton and have three children: Sally; Jane; and Sue.
 - (1) Sally married Bill Hiner. They have three children: Libby; Sue; and Billy.
 - (2) Jane married Albert Sawyer and they have four children.
 - (3) Marguerite married William Doig. They have one daughter, Sandy.
 4. Morgan was born December 28, 1897 and died September 25, 1953. He was married August 10, 1925 to Evelyn Totton. She is also deceased. There were no children.
 5. Willie was born March 22, 1902 and died October 10, 1961. He was married January 21, 1924 to Suzy Kellison. She was born January 4, 1903. They lived at the home place at Buckeye. There were eight children: Gladys; Betty; Grace; Dorthy; Donald; Helen; Phyllis; and Barbara.
 - a. Gladys was born January 4, 1925. She married Dempsey Carpenter and they have three children: Barbara; Jaquelin; and Joyce.
 - (1) Barbara married D. H. Stockton. They have a daughter Michelle and a son, D. H. Jr. who died at 3 months.
 - b. Betty was born October 9, 1926. She married Claud Carpenter and has two children: Linda Carol, who married Floyd Burgess; and Sammy K.
 - c. Grace was born February 27, 1929. She married William Workman. They live at Hillsboro and have five children: Soloman; Tommy; Kevin; Charles Parker; and Suzy Lynn.
 - (1) Soloman was married to Eileen Sharp. They have a son Jason Thomas.
 - d. Dortha Lee was born October 5, 1930. She married Dennis Jackson and they have four sons: Danny; Douglas; David; and Donald.
 - e. William Donald was born October 18, 1932. He married Winona Sparks. They have two sons: Mark and Mike.
 - f. Helen Joyce was born November 9, 1934. She married Wade Sharp. They have three sons: Roger; Gary; and Ronald.
 - g. Phyllis Jean was born June 3, 1937. She married Dempsey Barnett. They have three children: Billy; Steve; and Pamela.
 - h. Barbara Ellen was born July 18, 1939 and died July 31, 1942.

6. John T. was born September 9, 1904 and died July 25, 1921.
- B. Hannah E. was born January 24, 1856 and died April 25, 1893. On August 13, 1888 she was married to Kenny Otto Wade. He was born October 2, 1848, and died May 9, 1930. He had been previously married to Alice M. Waugh. On March 3, 1886, she passed away leaving five children: William Henry; Minnie Florence; Fred Gray; Lena Alice; and Grace Mabel.
1. William Henry was born March 31, 1869 and died January 11, 1931. He is buried at the Smith Cemetery. He was married December 27, 1893 to Mintie Smith who died November 9, 1958. They had three children: Zella; Pearl and Neal.
 - a. Zella married Edward Bowden, who is deceased. She lives at Elkins W. Va.
 - b. Pearl married Elmer Sims. Both are deceased.
 - c. Neal did not marry, is also deceased.
 2. Minnie Florence was born May 5, 1875 and died March 30, 1945. She married Henry Hill and lived in Nebraska. They had one daughter, Pauline.
 3. Fred Gray was born December 28, 1877 and died July 19, 1963. He was married December 18, 1907 to Mabel Stone, born May 26, 1882, died December 19, 1950. She was from Ronceverte and they lived on a farm near Seebert. There were five children: Kenny; Garnet; Leo; Fred, Jr; and Robert.
 - a. Kenny was born May 15, 1910 and died September 22, 1971. He and Mrs. Hazel Samms Hall were married July 4, 1941. She was born August 17, 1914. Hazel had two children by a previous marriage: Stanley and Jean Hall.
 - (1) Stanley was born July 4, 1936 and married Addie Bell Eades. They have two children: Shannon; and Sharon.
 - (2) Jean was born November 19, 1933 and married Harold Smith. They live in Spanishburg and have one son, Kevin.
 - b. Garnet was born October 27, 1911. She went into nurses training and was killed in an automobile accident, August 9, 1931.
 - c. Leo was born November 29, 1915. He served in the U. S. Navy. On June 7, 1945 he and Drexall McMillion were married. Drexal was born October 24, 1913 and taught school in Hillsboro. They live at San Mateo, California and have two daughters: Carol and Linda.
 - (1) Carol Ann was born December 14, 1948.
 - (2) Linda was born September 15, 1950. She was married February 15, 1971 to Mark Reden.
 - d. Fred, Jr. was born June 15, 1919. He served in the U.S. Army and was married October 22, 1946 to Nina Boblet. They live in Charleston and have a son Franklin Eugene, born September 9, 1947. There was a daughter, Kathy Sue, born 1952. She died and is buried at the Brick Church Cemetery in Hillsboro.
 - e. George Robert was born May 5, 1921. He was married March 27, 1950 to Betty Jean Scott. They live in Hillsboro. There were four children: George Gray, who was born in 1952 and died in 1959; James Robert, born November 26, 1953; Barbara Jean, born February 25, 1955; and Cherlynn born January 14, 1957.
4. Lena was born December 19, 1879 and married Joseph Dean, October 26, 1898. She died September 13, 1969. They lived in Iowa and had four daughters: Mrs. Elva Roberts; Mrs. Eva Barger; Mrs. Laura Moisiman; Mrs. Emma Krutsinger; and one son Ralph.
5. Grace Mabel was born May 12, 1882 and died March 24, 1968. She was married to Auburn O. Phyles, August 15, 1906. They lived at Seebert and had one daughter who died at birth.
- Hannah E. Rodgers and Kenny Otto Wade lived on a farm near Seebert. Two children were born to them: Bessie Susan and James Franklin

1. Bessie Susan was born July 11, 1890 and died March 5, 1967. She was married November 24, 1909 to Elburn G. Pyles, who died November 27, 1969. Their last residence was at Caldwell where they had a general store for many years. Their four daughters, born at Seebert, W. Va. were: Margie Ellen; Dorothy Jane; Grace Ruth; and Frankie Lucille.
- a. Margie was born August 19, 1910. She graduated from Dunsmore Business School in Staunton, Va., where she met Henry Hardy. They were married April 22, 1930. Henry is a mechanic and Margie is a school librarian. They have two children: Nancy Sue; and John Henry.
- (1) Nancy Sue was born November 20, 1933. She was married September 17, 1952 to Patrick Dudley. He is an electrician. They live in Staunton and have three children: Patrick, born August 13, 1958; Michael Wayne, born April 1, 1961; and Susan Patricia, born December 29, 1962. Since her children are now in school, Nancy is finishing college at Madison College, Harrisonburg, Va.
- (2) John Henry was born August 22, 1944. He and Mary Jane Phillips were married November 14, 1964. John served in the Navy three years. They have one son, Steven, born November 7, 1968.
- b. Dorothy Jane was born November 4, 1912. She was married November 24, 1931 to Clyde Bennett. He was born at Caldwell, W. Va. January 1, 1907 and is employed by the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad. They live at Lewisburg, W. Va. and have two daughters, Betsy Jane and Patsy Jean.
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a. Margie was born August 19, 1910. She graduated from Dunsmore Business School in Staunton, Va., where she met Henry Hardy. They were married April 22, 1930. Henry is a mechanic and Margie is a school librarian. They have two children: Nancy Sue; and John Henry.

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2. Frank James Wade, son of Kenny O. and Hannah Wade, was born December 24, 1892. He died of pneumonia January 21, 1919. He is buried at the McNeil Cemetery at Hillsboro.

After the death of Hannah Rodgers Wade, Kenny Wade married Agnes Nottingham on December 25, 1895. There was one daughter, Idella Zinelda, born June 24, 1898. Her first marriage was to George Steel, December 3, 1918. Her second marriage to Hadley Withrow. She died July 15, 1955.

Kenny Wade later married Mrs. Sallie Sims, December 5, 1917. She died, April 18, 1931.

C. George W. Rodgers was born March 30, 1854. He was married to Susan Beverage April 17, 1881. He died July 26, 1923. She was born August 26, 1865 and died November 19, 1933. There were nine children: Felia; Alice; Pearl; Grace; Henry; Minta; William Lee; Iva; and George Emory.

1. Felia was born September 30, 1882 and married Lanty Cole, December 29, 1905. There were three children: Glenna, Annas, and Lee.

a. Glenna was born August 8, 1907.

b. Annas was born February 10, 1910. She married Dr. Annon Row and lives in Tucson, Arizona.

c. Lee married Lucy Hansford

2. Alice was born July 28, 1884. She was married December 19, 1906 to Remus Beverage. He was born December 6, 1887 and died July 28, 1908. They had one daughter, Eva.

a. Eva was born October 24, 1907 and married Burlyn McCarty November 8, 1938. He died July 2, 1958. There were no children.

Alice's second marriage was to Jacob L. Jackson. She died January 1, 1950.

3. Pearl was born November 24, 1886 and died December 14, 1902.

4. Grace was born October 26, 1889 and married D. W. Taylor, July 1, 1921. He died March 26, 1965. She is living in California.

5. Minta was born March 15, 1894. She was married to Lloyd Olding in April 1932. She died June 28, 1947.

6. William Lee was born November 24, 1896 and died young.

7. Iva was born October 21, 1889 and married Harry Cochran June 1910. She died November 5, 1918. One child was born December 12, 1916.

8. George Emory was born August 1, 1904 and died February 15, 1913.

9. Henry was dead at birth.

D. Davis A. Rodgers was born January 3, 1859 and died young.

E. John H. Rodgers was born June 3, 1861 and died while young.

F. Margaret Ann Rodgers was born August 9, 1863 and died June 18, 1949.

She was married to William M. Adkison who was born March 31, 1855 at Swago, and died January 2, 1930. They lived near Buckeye and had seven children: Dallas Coe; Elsie Jane; Winona Vura; Fred Elmer; Nelson Clifford; George Rockford; and Okey Neel.

1. Dallas Coe was born September 16, 1888 and died September 12, 1955.

He served in the U. S. Army in World War I and taught school for a number of years. He was also Clerk of the Circuit Court of Pocahontas County for several years. He and Ethel Correll were married June 20, 1923. She died in 1959. They had one child, Betsy Jane, who died at three years of age.

2. Elsie Jane was born March 16, 1890. She taught school for 44 years, is now retired and lives near Marlinton, at Riverside.

3. Winona Vura was born September 3, 1891. In 1914 she married Henry Miller who died July 8, 1971. Winona died February 10, 1961. They had eleven children: Bernice; Ross; May; Ruby; Frances; Kathleen; Glenn; Margaret; Ralph; Dorthy; and Doris Jean.

a. Bernice was born January 9, 1915. She married Wilford Bailey and they had four children: Wilford, Jr., born April 16, 1937; Edward

- Neel, born November 18, 1938; Alford Wayne, born March 6, 1941; Barbara Elaine, born February 6, 1960.
- b. Ross was born September 26, 1916. He and Helen Dye were married and have two daughters: Linda Virginia, who married Franklin Miller; and Brenda Kay.
- c. May was born May 10, 1918 and died May 31, 1947.
- d. Ruby was born October 8, 1919 and married Wilmer McCarty. They have two sons: Robert, born February 2, 1941; and Jerry, born July 8, 1950.
- e. Frances was born May 1, 1921. She was married to Moffit Williams, now deceased. There were two sons: John Richard, born July 2, 1945; and Roger Francis, born July 5, 1948.
- f. Kathleen Ethyl was born February 21, 1923. She married Harvey Young and they have one son, Gregory, born October 18, 1948.
- g. Glenn was born October 20, 1924. He married Avonell Estep. There were two children: Marsha, born August 1950; and Katie, born July 10, 1954. Glen died November 18, 1961.
- h. Margaret was born August 23, 1926. She and Paul Rhodes were married. There were no children.
- i. Ralph was born June 12, 1929. He married Mary Rhodes. They have no children.
- j. Dorothy Jane was born May 16, 1930. She and Doris Jean are twins.
- k. Doris Jean was married to Stewart Groves. They have two sons: Stewart Gene, Jr. and Gary Wayne.
- 4. Fred Elmer Adkison was born March 27, 1893 and died November 10, 1960. He married Mabel Barry. There were no children. Fred was a **veteran** of World War I and died in the Veteran's Hospital in St. Petersburg, Florida.
- 5. Nelson Clifford Adkison was born September 5, 1895. He served in the U. S. Army in World War I, lived at Riverside and died November 29, 1962.
- 6. George Rockford Adkison was born March 9, 1898 and died January 7, 1971. His first marriage was to Ethel Scott. There were two children: Hilda, who married Ray Bobbett; and Lucille, who married a Kershner. George's second marriage was to Lucille Woods. There were three children: William H., Carole J., and Edward N., who drowned when he was nine, February 21, 1953.
- 7. Okey Neel Adkison was born October 16, 1901. He died while serving in the Army in a hospital in Denver Colorado, September 25, 1931.
- G. Adam Rodgers was born March 6, 1865. His death is not recorded.
- H. Martha Eliza Rodgers (mother) was born near Buckeye, August 11, 1867 and died May 20, 1945. She and George Oliver Auldridge were married October 7, 1896 by the Rev. George Echols in the Lower Church at Buckeye. George Oliver was born August 11, 1869 and died March 31, 1968. Four children were born to them: Leonard Clifton; Emory Lake; Elizabeth (Lizzie); and Lillie Olive. The family record is complete in the Auldridge record.
- I. Mary Frances Rodgers was born March 17, 1869. She married John Van Buren. They lived on Anthony's Creek and are both buried there. She died April 1937.
- J. Alvin Rodgers was born December 3, 1871 and died February 22, 1902. He never married.
- James L. Rodgers' second marriage was to Mrs. Mary E. Kellison, who was born August 10, 1839 and died May 13, 1907. There were two children: Lewis, who died young; and Laura Cordelia, born September 26, 1883 and died March 31, 1964.
- A. Laura Cordelia was married April 9, 1902 to Hassel Andrew Walton, who was born March 15, 1873 and died July 18, 1911. There were four children: Gradie Carlisle; Dainty Ilean; Okey Ward; and Eula Madeline.
- 1. Gradie was born March 10, 1903 and married Hattie Perry, November 1926. They had one daughter, Madeline, who married Hubert Dillon. They

have four daughters and one son living. Two children are dead. Gradie's second marriage was to Lucy Gilberts and the third to Bessie Murphy. His last marriage was to Ida Reeves in October 1956. They live in Salisbury, N. C.

2. Dainty Ilean was born October 17, 1904, and lives at Buckeye. They were married in October 1956. They

3. Okey Ward was born July 24, 1906 and died August 7, 1949. He was not married.

4. Eula Madeline was born August 30, 1908. She and Leslie Lee Walls were married June 6, 1931. They were both school teachers, now retired, and live in Roanoke, Va. There were three children: Robert Carroll, Elizabeth Ann; and Sherlyn Leah.

a. Robert Carroll was born March 28, 1923. He married Sherly Ann Brooks in 1948. They have three sons: Mike; Mark; and Jeffrey; and they live in Augusta, Ga.

b. Elizabeth Ann was born September 17, 1933. She married Woody England and lives at Pineville, W. Va.

c. Sherlyn Leah was born March 7, 1937. She and Charles Corman were married in August 1955. She died December 16, 1956, in her junior year at West Virginia University. Charles Corman remarried and is a teacher at Morgantown.

Laura Cordelia Rodgers' second marriage was to John Daniel Miller, July 31, 1914. He was born April 24, 1872 and died September 9, 1959. They lived near Buckeye and had three children: James Aralan, William Paul, and Mary Elizabeth.

1. James Arlan was born August 20, 1915 and died August 27, 1971. He and Marie Scott were married December 15, 1948. They had one daughter, Mary Ellen, born January 19, 1950.

a. Mary Ellen married Roger Watson and they have a son Roger Aralan born April 24, 1968. They live in Lancaster, Pa.

2. William Paul was born October 1, 1918. He was married to Lena Moore September 13, 1941. There were no children. He died December 23, 1947.

3. Mary Elizabeth Miller was born September 22, 1922 and married Gary Morgan, September 3, 1949. There were no children. Her second marriage was to Warren K. Reed, September 22, 1956. They have two children: Laura Grace, born July 25, 1957; and Barbara Ann, born October 12, 1958. They live in Baltimore, Maryland.

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The Auldridges

The other day Mrs Mary Auldridge Harper, of Hillsboro, came in for to inquire what all I remember of what I had been told of her father's family, the Auldridges. I was honest enough to confess that my knowledge along most any line was scattering, few in the bill, far apart and thin in places.

Any way, here is the line of descent of the lady. William Auldridge was a native of England. His widowed mother, Elizabeth, brought him to America prior to the year 1800. The tradition is he was ten or twelve years old. He grew up on the Johnson Place, Jerico Road, near Marlinton.

William married Mary Cochran. She was a daughter of Thomas Cochran, a native of the north of Ireland. Her mother was named Mackemie, from Augusta County. The Cochrans lived at the Fred Ruckman place, near Mill Point. The Auldridges went to house keeping at Bridger Notch, near where the Bridgers Brothers, John and James, were bushwhacked by the Indians, 1784. The homestead is still held by an Auldridge, Dr Sandy, great grandson of Pioneer William Auldridge.

One of the six sons of William and Mary Cochran Auldridge was Samuel. He married Miriam Barlow, daughter of John and Martha Waddell Barlow.

Their son was William, who married Ellie Pennell. Their daughter is Mrs Mary Auldridge Harper, who visited me the other day. She is the widow of the late Harry Harper.

I do not remember ever hearing the maiden name of Elizabeth mother of William Auldridge. I do recall stories about her. She died in her home on Jerico Farm in the year 1874, aged 114 years. I was told she was a lady of slight build; small hands; "fingers like birds' feet."

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for presuming to marry above and beyond his station in life.

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But, the passage money for the six weeks' of a sea voyage!

However, there was the indentured servant statute. Under it, the ship master took a paper, setting out the amount of the passage money, and providing for sale of the services of the signor at public auction; the bid for the shortest period of servitude to be accepted.

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John Johnson owned a plantation, Jericho, of 1500 acres, on Jerico Road. I have recently examined his will. It was signed in April, 1825 and probated, March Court, 1826.

John Johnson's wife died in the late 1790's. He needed a governess with an education for a house full of children. Such a treasure was to be found occasionally at the auctions of indentured servants in Richmond. So, John Johnson took a string of young horses, packed with products of plantation and country side, and hied away on the 200 mile journey to Richmond, on a trading trip. At the auction of indentured servants he bid in the widow Auldridge and her son, William. He brought her and the boy back to Jericho Farms. Later, he married her.

Mrs Johnson lived to see two of her husband's grandsons elected to the United States Senate—Senator Ewing, of Ohio, and Senator Farnsworth, of West Virginia. Both were born on Jericho Farms.

It could well be added here that a Stevenson married into this Ewing family connection. So, in their line, we have had an Adlai Ewing Stevenson as Vice President of the United States, and the chance is good that another Adlai Ewing Stevenson will be elected President of the United States. And so mote it be.

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Mrs. Mary Auldridge Harper related the following story about the Auldridge family to Mr. Cal Price who published it in the Pocahontas Times, Sept. 3, 1953:

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The tradition is that the name in England was Aldrich. Before her marriage to a commoner, Elizabeth was a lady in waiting on Queen Charlotte, at the court of George III, King of England. Mrs. Harper supposed that this would imply she was a high born lady.

A visitor on occasions to Queen Charlotte was Catherine II, Empress of Russia. One of these visits the lady in waiting received the salesman with an engagement to show the Empress ware of a maker of fine pottery. The young tradesman showing the ware to the royal customer was named Aldrich. At a guess, his name might have been William. When Elizabeth and William saw each other, it was love at first sight.

And what a tempest it all did raise. Mrs. Harper said, "We of this generation remember how a king of England got himself dethroned for hooking up with a commoner. A century

half ago, the divine rights of kings and courtiers was not the silly pretense and
show George Washington and Company, Unlimited showed it to be.

William and Elizabeth were married. Elizabeth was dropped from the queen's
list of ladies in waiting. She was disowned by her family. They seemed to feel their
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Henry Barlow. - An Appreciation.

By Wm. C. Price, D. D.

With pathetic frequency the past few years prominent and influential citizens of Pocahontas county, West Virginia, have passed away. One of these was Henry Barlow, near Edray, West Virginia, the subject of this appreciation prepared as a tribute to his memory, which is fondly cherished by numerous friends and near relatives throughout his native county, and by very many persons in various localities in West Virginia. His ancestry both paternal and maternal is of pioneer derivation. His father was the venerable John Barlow, Sen., near Edray, West Virginia. John Barlow, Sen., was the only son of Alexander Barlow of Bath county, Virginia, an English emigrant, and his wife Barbara was an English young person whose family name was Rowse.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Barlow were living in Bath county when the Revolutionary War was in progress. He went into service and was never heard of after the battle of Brandywine. The prevailing opinion has been that he died in that famous engagement.

In 1806 John Barlow married Martha Waddell. Not long afterward he bought a piece of land from Thomas Brock on Red Lick Mountain, which was paid for in venison at fifty-cents a saddle. Here the pioneer built his home, reared his family and passed the most of his married life. This property was finally owned by his son Henry, and is a part of the ample legacy bequeathed to his heirs. His family consisted of ten sons and five daughters. The sons were William, Alexander, James, John, Nathan, Josiah, Henry, Amos, George and Andrew. The pioneer's daughters were Elizabeth, who became the wife of the late William Baxter, Esq. Miriam, who became Mrs. Samuel Auldridge; Mary Ann married James Auldridge; Ellen who died at the age of four years; and an unnamed daughter dying in infancy, a few weeks old. Mr. and Mrs. John Barlow being conscientiously honest themselves they believed everybody else to be likewise honest, and thus were Israelites indeed in whom there was

no guile. On them and their children rest the blessing promised the meek and pure in heart; provided they cherish purity, good deeds and humility as their venerated pioneer ancestors have the reputation of doing. Henry Barlow Esq. was the seventh son of the pioneer, and was born at the Red Lick Mountain home, February 21, 1827.

Mr. Barlow was married twice. The first marriage, January 30, 1855, was with Rachel Cameron Hickman, daughter of Elliot Hickman, a native of Bath county, Virginia. She was born June 2, 1836, and died in 1861, aged twenty-five years. The children of this marriage were Rachel and Evaline, both of whom died in childhood; Alice who became Mrs. George K. Gay, of Buckhannon, West Virginia; John Elliot now a merchant at Edray, West Virginia. Mrs. Nancy Jane Matilda Barlow, the second wife, was born August 19, 1841, and was married to Mr. Barlow September 22, 1862, was a daughter of William Cassell and Mrs. Matilda Cassell, on Back Alleghany. The sons and daughters of the second family were Cammie, Amos Neal, William Anderson, Regina Ruth, who became Mrs. James N. White, West Union vicinity; Davis Levi, Page Dameron, Asa Clark, Effie Florence, who became Mrs. Joel E. Peck, near Lewisburg, West Virginia; Albert Wickline who died aged five years, and an unnamed daughter dying in infancy. All of the surviving children are residents of Pocahontas county, excepting Mrs. Peck and Page Dameron, who is a popular physician, in McMechen city near Wheeling West Virginia.

It may be pertinent moreover to mention that Mrs. Barlow's father William Cassell, was twice married and she and her brother George were of the first marriage. George Cassell was a Confederate soldier and died of eight wounds received a few days before his death. Such was his sister's affection she took a journey of more than a hundred miles on horseback to be with him in his dying sufferings.

In reference to Mrs. Barlow's father's second family there were seven children born. Their mother's maiden name was Nancy Collins, daughter of Charles Collins of John Collins, the ancestral immigrant. Mary Catharine became Mrs. Thomas Beverage; Martha Ellen was married to Robert

Sutton, a prominent teacher of schools; Louise became Mrs. Cassell; William Cassell, Jr. married India Sutton and lives upon the old homestead; Sarah Ann died at the age of thirteen years; Charles migrated to the far west; George went to Texas and after numerous adventures on cattle ranches, was drowned in the Yellowstone river while in charge of a Texas herd. So she had a brother and a half brother George, one named after the other.

Mrs Barlow's much lamented death occurred June 20, 1906 in her sixty-fifth year. In his two marriages Mr. Henry Barlow was highly favored. His wives conscientiously and efficiently "did him good and not evil" all the days of their lives respectively and they were gratefully appreciated by him and the children.

Henry Barlow's career as a business man was of a character to demonstrate the fact that Pocahontas county has in her gift all that a reasonable person should aspire to, whose assets may be only two hands and a mind to be diligent in business, yet fervent in spirit serving the Lord. For forty years he was a member of the firm of Barlow & Moore, at Edray, and in the meanwhile operated largely as a farmer and grazier, ably and industriously assisted by his sons. He virtually performed the service of a Banker years before a bank was thought of as feasible for Pocahontas county. When banks came to be organized he was among the first directors. It should be remembered to Mr. Barlow's credit that he was an enthusiast in favor of public schools, though himself among the prominent taxpayers. He served for years on the Edray Board of Education. He had the privilege of seeing his son, Davis L. serving with marked credit terms as County superintendent of schools and as a member of the West Virginia Legislature 1906-7, whose educational qualifications from first to last were due to the West Virginia public school system. For many years he was an interested visitor of the Teachers Institutes for Pocahontas county, and would make humorously characteristic addresses when speaking of his exploits and services as a "Member of the Board of Ignorance."

Having thus briefly mentioned the foregoing particulars, it remains now to consider Mr. Barlow's christian life that

was such a marked feature of his personal character for sixty-five years. August 1843, Rev. T. J. Dyerly in charge of the Pocahontas circuit, conducted a protracted meeting at Mrs. Phobe McNeill's barn on Swago. This building one of the more commodious of its kind, stood in the meadow about half way between the Swago fording and the mill race. It was during this meeting he professed conversion, August 29th and in a few weeks afterwards was received at Hamline Chapel, as a member of the M. E. Church. At experience meetings while speaking of his conversion he was frequently heard to say, "that the hay and the old barn logs looked as bright as the noonday sun."

Robert Moore, the class leader and a steward of the church, asked the young member whether he would like to give something for the use of the church. His reply was, "I would, but have nothing to pay." Mr. Moore said, "I will pay for you and you can pay me back in work." Mr. Moore placed 50 cents to the credit of the young member, which was soon worked out in one of the Edray fields. In reference to this occurrence, Mr. Barlow often observed "he never saw the time since that he could not pay something toward the support of the church." Mr. Moore's son, Rev. George Preston Moore, became in course of time Mr. Barlow's business associate in the mercantile firm of Barlow & Moore, elsewhere referred to. Those knowing Mr. Barlow intimately say that during his whole religious life he was never known to refuse contributing something in aid of any christian church in his vicinity. From a letter written me by one who knew and understood Mr. Barlow's character better than any living person, some extracts are given illustrative of the attractive phases of his character. "He was a man who always desired peace, and because he many times aided in making peace between others, he was often called a peace maker."

"You might speak of him as a genial, gracious, kindly man, who treated all who came in the circle of his acquaintance, rich or poor, with the same rare and exact courtesy. He had a pleasant word for every one. His jovial disposition will be remembered by all his friends. His mirth

of him as a christian. I well remember how faithfully he attended all the services of his church, and how he regretted so much when bad health kept him from the house of the Lord. On a Sunday morning just after I had entered the pulpit, some one handed me a message from him in which he stated that that was his seventieth birthday, and would apologize for his absence from the services, giving sickness as a reason.

We have a picture in our home which we prize very highly. It is of the interior of the Edray Methodist Episcopal church and the Sunday school, with brother Barlow, Bible under his arm in the midst as Superintendent. He must have left his impress on many minds and hearts as he labored in this capacity. I well remember hearing him publicly exhort his sons by name to become christians, and beg their forgiveness if he had ever done or said anything that was calculated to keep them from becoming followers of their savior.

At the first of our association, brother Barlow would sometimes remark: "Death seems to be a leap in the dark." But later on the gloom seemed to be less dense, occasional rifts were in the clouds and light came through, and he came to see more clearly that it is the heaven given privilege of the child of God to know at least something of what is in the beyond, and to have a good degree of certainty as to what that beyond had in store for him.

I trust that those who were his intimate friends at the last, heard from his lips language like this, "Brighter and brighter unto the perfect day." He has gone on before us a little while and we expect to greet him in the great beyond in the morning of a better day.

Upon which of his sons has his mantle fallen?

W. A. SHARP.

Guyandott, W. Va. March 29, 1909.

I had the honor of being the pastor of this devoted "father in Israel" for nearly five years and knew him to be a faithful and consecrated man. While too feeble to attend the church services regularly as in former years, he was still quite frequently found there and his very presence was an encouragement to all.

I often visited him in his home and also had the privilege of his company in my own home, and always found him a wise counselor, retaining his interest in the work of the church up to the last few days of his earthly pilgrimage.

Father Barlow was a very spiritual man and thoroughly loyal to his church, in which he was a very prominent member for a long period of years, being continued to the last as an honorary Class-Leader, although too feeble to officiate except at rare intervals.

I talked and prayed with him the day before he passed away and found him trusting in the Savior, saying if God called him "it was all right." When asked if he wanted prayer, he replied, "all the time," and during the prayer was heard to make frequent responses.

He is greatly missed, not only by his immediate friends, but by the church and by the community. But while ours is the loss, his is the eternal gain and "we do not sorrow as those who have no hope," but trust to meet him at last in the better, brighter world.

G. W. MARSTON,

Pastor Edray Circuit, Methodist Episcopal Church.

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I esteem it a great privilege to bring my tribute of respect to the memory of a brother in Jesus and dear friend personally. For five years 1894-1899 I was intimately associated with him as his pastor, and the more I knew of him the stronger were the bonds that bound me to him.

His sunshiny disposition coupled with his witticisms made him a companion with whom it was a pleasure to while away the hours of an otherwise unpleasant journey. His geniality and whole hearted hospitality made it a great pleasure to be a guest in his home. But I would especially speak

been an inspiration to me and many are the individuals whose life has been brightened, whose faith in God strengthened and whose religious experience sweetened by having fellowship with this saintly man of God.

Surely it can be said of him that "many will rise up and call him blessed."

J. B. GRIMES.

Lobelia, W. Va., April 12, 1909.



In reviewing the life and character of the pioneers of our country, we find there are many noble men whose names are linked with character building, and who will be held up to the children of the rising generations as beacon lights in laying the foundation of civil and religious training. Many, we say, whose names stand high upon the roll of honor, men who have done a noble work, and whose fame will live on for generations to come; but the subject of this memoir—Mr. Henry Barlow—stands out prominently among these all.

Born and reared of humble parentage, he did much toward the development of his native county and state; and in the training of his large family of children he left an impress upon their lives which can never be obliterated. A man of sterling worth and character, generous to a fault, ready to forgive, ready to testify for his Lord and Master, ready to lend a helping hand to those in distress, he went about doing good. The writer of this sketch never had a better friend.

By reason of strength, his life was prolonged beyond the "four score years" but this long and busy life is only a moment when compared with the life upon which he has now entered. But he is gone. We miss his stately step-pings; we miss his counsels; we miss his prayers, but it is ours to meet him.

"There in that bright world above,
In Heaven that happy place,
Where we shall tell of a Savior's love,
And sing we are saved by grace."

E. H. MOORE.

My father, John Barlow was among the first pioneers to emigrate from Pocahontas county, West Virginia, to what was then called the West. He died in Schuyler county, Missouri, September 9, 1858, leaving me a child but six years of age. It was not my privilege to meet any of my near relatives until May, 1892. I at this time visited my Uncle Henry Barlow, my father's young brother. When I went to his home I was informed that he had driven his cattle to the mountain range and would be "back" in a day or two. It is needless for me to say that I was made to feel at home and the time did not appear long until my uncle's return. I remained a guest in his home for one month. Now in a word let me say just how he impressed me. I considered him as one of the most delightful and attractive men that it had been my privilege to meet. "To know him was to love him."

He was a man of deep intellect, good judgment, a wise counselor and devotedly religious. He loved the church of his choice and loved to talk of his hopes and prospects of Heaven. At the time of my visit his dear wife was living. She was a devoted christian mother and both father and mother were deeply interested in the welfare and salvation of their children. I never met this mother again, but it was my pleasure to have my uncle visit me in October, 1901. I hope to meet these good relatives in the "sweet bye and bye."

HENRY AMOS BARLOW.

Pastor in Charge of Charleston Circuit,
W. Va. Conference.

March 25, 1909.

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I am bewildered as to where to begin, and what to say first in my tribute, but I go back to the days of my boyhood and remember Henry Barlow as being my big associate and well remember the occurrence of fifty-six years ago, when in my mischief, I plagued him almost beyond endurance, and to give me a "settler" he caught me up by the heels and proposed to immerse me in a barrel of water head first. I remember that I succumbed and promised him to be a good boy and mind "mama."

In November 1867, I entered into a contract with him

and his younger brother, Amos Barlow, in the mercantile business at Edray, West Virginia. After a few years he bought his brother out, and he and I have been, and were continuously associated together in this business until 1902, in which year A. R. Gay bought him out, and thus closed our business partnership of something over thirty-five years, and these years comprehended an annual settlement in which hundreds of dollars were in the balance and had to be adjusted and arranged. In all these settlements we were able to adjust our money matters without a single jar or word of dispute over any question that arose.

In morals and religion he was a church member as early as I can recollect anything about him, and in all the intervening years from that time until now, I have known him as staunch and reliable christian gentleman, always ready to help the fallen and cheer the faint, and in sustaining financially and spiritually the interests of the church of his choice he could always be relied upon.

Socially he was always a cheer to any company anywhere, and the memory of his life and character will be his monument. "If a man die he shall live again." Yes, he lives.

GEORGE P. MOORE.



My pleasant acquaintance with Mr. Henry Barlow was limited to one meeting, but our social and fraternal enjoyment at that time was unusually sweet and I shall not forget it. He was then visiting in Lewisburg and we dined together at the home of the Misses Lipps. I found him genial in conversation, with a warm and broad interest in God's work, a lover of christians of every name. He seemed eager to know good men and loved to be with them just for the pure enjoyment of the association. Old age in him was green and fruitful. Loving to be with God's people here, what must now be the bliss of his association with them in Heaven! What joy for him to see Christ.

EUGENE DANIEL.

Pastor Presbyterian Church, Lewisburg, W. Va.

I first met him in the spring of 1896 and well do I remember my first impression of him. His snow white hair and beard enclosing a face of such benevolence, and kindness that I was reminded of the fathers of old. In memory I see him now ringing the old dinner bell--welcoming a stranger to his home and heart, and for the entire 14 years which I knew him the bell of welcome never ceased to ring.

His life was an open book for all to read. His life was pure. He spoke no evil word of any one: always gentle, unobtrusive, kind and gracious—a gentleman without a blemish. He is gone and is at rest, yet how lonely we feel when we stop to think that we will never again see him on the shores of time. We must hope and strive for the goal that he has reached, happy with his Lord and Savior in the realm above, where I sincerely hope we shall all meet "to part no more."

I regret that circumstances prevented my attending his funeral, but I was there in spirit.

HELEN G. DUANE BARLOW.

McMechen, W. Va., February 22, 1909.

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(Miss White taught two terms of public school at Onoto. Mr. Barlow was at special pains to make her stay pleasant. Her tribute shows how she appreciates such kindness and friendship, and it also represents the sentiments of numerous other young friends.)

I was shocked and grieved to hear of Mr. Barlow's death. I had not heard of his illness.

It is hard to give up our loved ones but one can not help thinking of the "dear departed" as an aged pilgrim on life's road who has fought a good fight and been called to his reward. What an inspiration such lives are to us and how consoling their last words of love and trust. Yet in our weaker human nature we can not help grieving and feeling that we would like to call them back.

I valued Mr. Barlow's friendship very highly, and feel that in his death I have lost a highly honored and esteemed friend.

With kindest sympathy to all the relatives, I am,
ANNIE L. WHITE.

Lewisburg, W. Va., February 22, 1909.

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faculty was well developed and was quite noticeable in his last sickness." "Notice may be taken of the fact he seldom failed to hold family prayer. He often labored in the fields until he was so nearly worn out that it was a burden for him to walk to his home in the evenings, yet he would seldom retire to rest without first asking God's protection on his home.

"Some years ago he bought a tract of land on Cranberry Mountain. He was very fond of this mountain land and scenery, and would accompany his boys and work-hands when the stock would be moved to the range in the spring. Sometimes when the fences needed repairing and other work done, all would camp for a few nights under a cliff of rocks which would, be made dry and warm by burning logs. Here when the days work was finished, supper over, and after a short time spent in pleasant conversation, Mr. Barlow would repeat a hymn and ask all to assist in singing after which he would kneel in earnest prayer. The following is one of his favorite hymns which he often used in this mountain camp:

"Could we but stand where Moses stood
And view the landscape o'er;
Not Jordan's wave nor death's cold flood,
Could fright us from the shore."

"In his home Mr. Barlow was always kind and pleasant. Never complained of his surroundings. In fact his home life was stainless. To his family he was faithful in every detail of duty. He did nothing that his children would wish to change, amend or recall; nothing to cause them to blush or apologize. His children's welfare seemed to be constantly upon his mind, and during his last sickness he often inquired if they were present. One great purpose of his life was to assist them. This is evidenced by a remark which he made just before his death, when he said in substance: "I am going away now. I leave something for my children. I have done the best I could for them, share and share alike."

"The last two or three years of his life were spent largely in visits to the homes of his children from McMechen to Lewisburg, and intervening localities in West Virginia. It must have been a precious solace to our departed friend and christian brother to have known that he leaves a group of sons and daughters for whom any father might be congratulated. All are giving promise of being worthy sons and daughters of a

worthy father and the two revered mothers who have gone before.

The writer of this memorial tribute feels that in the decease of Mr. Barlow he parts with a friend from early youth, and one too who has been especially "lovely and pleasant" to him for the past twenty-four years, in ways too numerous to especially mention.

It seems to have been Mr. Barlow's intention to have a family reunion and ample preparations were being made for the deeply interesting occasion. His eighty-third birth-day was fixed upon as the date, February 21, 1909. As the sequel shows it pleased the All-wise One in whom we live and move and have our being to will it otherwise under very different auspices, thus illustrating in a very touching manner that though a man's heart may devise his way the Lord directeth his steps.

When it became apparent that he could not survive much longer, Mr. Barlow's children all gathered at the old home to be with their dying father at the supreme moment, except Mrs. Ruth Regina White, who was prevented by sickness. All of the son's wives were present excepting Mrs. John E. Barlow and Mrs. Page D. Barlow, who were providentially hindered. He was heard repeating his favorite hymn at intervals.

"There is a land of pure delight
Where saints immortal reign,
Infinite day excludes the night,
And pleasures banish pain."

His latest remembered words were to this effect. When asked, "Do you feel ready to go?" He exclaimed "Yes Hallelujah, Hallelujah."

Friday, February 19, 1909, he passed away serenely as a little child falls asleep in its mother's arms. Two days more he would have been eighty-two years of age, and the anticipated eighty-third birthday, with the reunion as arranged. The funeral services were performed by Revs. G. W. Marston and George P. Moore. As the 23rd Psalm

was known to have been a special favorite with the deceased, it was selected and commented upon.

The remains were borne to the Edray graveyard by six of his sons as the Pall Bearers and there at the open grave, in the presence of an immense concourse of relatives, friends and neighbors, the burial rites were performed. The scene was impressively suggestive of these words, expressive of the thoughts and feelings the assembled hundreds must have realized.

“How many to their eternal home,
This solemn moment fly;
And we are to the margin come,
And soon expect to die.

“Dear Savior be our constant guide,
And when the word is given,
Bid the cold waves of death divide,
And land us safe in heaven.”

In Memory
of
Rachel C. Hickman Barlow.

The dates of birth and death of this much esteemed personage are given in the biographical sketch of Henry Barlow to whom she was married in the year 1855. Her married life was short and at the age of twenty-five she answered to the roll call of the skies.

She was a faithful wife, a tender, self-sacrificing mother and a kind hearted neighbor. She possessed a gentle, sweet tempered disposition. She made her home happy and when I think of her death occurring as it did at such an early age I am reminded of the following lines from Whittier:

"The light of her young life went down,
As sinks behind the hills
The glory of a setting star
Clear, suddenly, and still."

"As pure and sweet, her fair brow seemed
Eternal as the sky;
And like the brook's low song, her voice,
A song that could not die."

"And half we deemed she needed not,
The changing of her sphere
To give to heaven a Shining One
Who walked an angel here."

A FRIEND.



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C. M. NEFF.



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In the Memory of Mrs. Nancy J. M. Barlow

It was my pleasure to pay many visits to the home of Mrs. Barlow. I began to make these visits in my childhood days and continued to repeat them to the day of her death which occurred June 20, 1906. Her boys and I were playmates and we spent many happy hours together at the old Barlow home which stands in the sugar-tree grove near Onoto. It is needless for me to say that early in life I learned to respect and love my childhood neighbor, Mrs. Barlow.

She was a loving wife and mother, a kind neighbor, and scores of people can testify that she treated her visitors and guests with generous kindness and liberality. The door of her home was open to all and the stranger received the same kind treatment as the friend.

Mrs. Barlow's love for her family was never exhausted, it never changed; it never tired. It might be truly said that she was an angelic spirit in her home, and to her children the memory of this sainted mother is a paradise out of which they can not be driven away. As an evidence that such a mother will not be forgotten, let me quote from a public talk given by one of her sons some time ago. Among other things he said: "I cannot close without paying a tribute to the memory of mother. On that beautiful summer evening June 20, 1906, as the sun began to sink behind the western hills, as the shadows of the evening began to darken and as the flowers planted and tended by mother's hand began to close their petals for the night, mother cast aside the labors, trials, disappointments and hardships of this life and went into the eternal world.

"'Mother is gone!' is the saddest sentence that ever rang through my childhood home, and I tell you today that a boy cannot sustain a greater loss than to lose his mother. My mother was a most tender comforter and a wise counselor. I shall never forget mother. What a hallowed name! That name touches every fiber of my soul and strikes every chord of my heart with its angelic fingers. What tender associations are linked with mother. Her name calls up the fondest memories of life and opens in my mind the deepest and richest gushes of consecrated thought and feeling."

Mrs. Barlow made a profession of religion at the old McLaughlin church when she was fourteen years of age. She was a faithful member of the Methodist church for a half century and in her death the church sustained the loss of one whose place will not be easy to fill; but she has "entered into the rest that remaineth for the people of God."

Another hand is beckoning us,
Another call is given;
And glows once more with angels steps
The path that reaches Heaven.

P. L. CARTER.

To the Memory of Henry Barlow.

He was in my estimation more than an ordinary man; in power of mind; quickness to dissent from what was wrong, and approve the right.

In business correct and honorable; having an eye to see the right thing, and the will to do it.

In religion conscientious, always interested in the advancement of the church, a friend to the faithful minister, giving moral support and influence, also material support; ready to help the man who would try to help himself.

The writer was appointed to Pocahontas circuit, March 1876 and the first man who occupied the present Edray parsonage, he found much to do to put it in condition; for comfort and support. It was necessary that a part of the four acres including garden, should be plowed with a two horse plow. Bro. Barlow volunteered to furnish the team and feed free, the pastor doing the work. This resulted in a good crop of oats, and the next year a fine crop of hay.

We always found a friend in him, willing to help and counsel, giving good advice. He was genuinely fraternal with all Christian people, quick to feel any thing that might create trouble in any way or by any one. He was a steward for many years, and was always put in the lead with reference to the finances of the church.

With open heart and house, ready to receive and entertain the ministers whom he regarded as helping the cause; giving his disapproval openly to whatever he thought was not right, out spoken against all manner of evil, and having very little use for the man who tried to make his way by unfair dealing.

By industry, economy, good judgment, and judicious management, he acquired a competency and brought up a large family, some of whom have reached honorable positions. Being blessed with good wives he had much help in the home. We pray that his mantle may fall on his sons, and though he has passed over, they may imitate his Godly life and be as useful in the church and neighborhood as their venerated father. We shall meet soon in the glorious heavens above.

In memory of a beloved friend,

JOSEPH S. WICKLINE.

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 m Lula Myrtle (Moore) Barlow 02/17/1906 (11/29/1899)
 Madeline (Barlow) Mccomb 09/25/1901 - 04/12/1979
 m Harry McComb
 Myrtle Lula (Barlow) Atkins 02/07/1906 - 12/02/1974
 m Melvin Atkins 06/12/1901 - ~~12/21/1974~~ 8/1/81
 Raymond Melvin Atkins 01/21/1928
 m Julia Anne Todd Lacey 06/23/19
 Julia Anne Todd (Atkins) Haciski 07/04/1952
 m Dr. Rafael Christopher Haciski (06/23/1974) (DOB 4/21/52)
 Rafael Christopher Haciski, Jr. 04/12/1976
 Leigh Anne ~~Julia~~ Anne Todd Tarasiewicz Haciski 05/16/1978
 Leighanne Atkins Haciski 10/31/1979
 Stanislaw Conrad Casimir Haciski 06/05/1981
 Sabina Insley Haciski 04/16/1983
 Lacey Elizabeth Walles Haciski 08/11/1985
 Thomas Barlow Atkins 03/05/1954 - 11/30/1977
 Raymond Melvin Atkins, Jr. 03/26/1956
 m Janet Marie Chadbourne 11/21/1956
 Raymond Melvin Atkins III 05/31/1985
 Katharine Elizabeth Atkins 06/29/1987
 Carolyn Ashton Atkins 06/06/1991
 William Paul Atkins 03/17/1962
 m Lesley Moira (Brand) Atkins 04/08/1967 (01/22/1994)
 Elizabeth Woodcock (Atkins) Schroeder 01/23/1964
 m John Schroeder (11/28/92)
 Alexandrew Woodcock Schroeder 2/5/95

Elizabeth Barlow Atkins
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Mary Susan (Barlow) Patterson

7/09/1893 - 01/30/1989

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Richard Pruep

B. 04/20/1904

D. 07/23/1958

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B. 01/14/1907

D. 08/07/1975

Virginia Barlow
Patterson

B. 08/27/1908

D. 11/19/1996

Mary Janet Patterson

B. 06/18/1900

D. 5/16/1912

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d. 11/11/1980

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m Mabel (Wagner) Barlow 04/21/1889 - 03/09/1933 (06/11/1907)
 Nellie (Barlow) Shrader 11/13/1908
 m Blake Shrader 02/08/1907 - 05/03/1979 (07/03/1930)
 Alice Louise (Barlow) McNeel 12/16/1913
 m Harry Franklin Beard¹ 10/28/1933 - 10/27/1933 (07/01/1929)
 m Alfred Edgar "Buzz" McNeel² 02/07/1907 - 02/06/1986 (07/18/1943)
 George Cameron Edgar McNeel 01/29/1944 - 12/17/1982
 m Nickada
 Anne Malory McNeel 09/29/1945
 m Marvin Alderman Jr. (06/10/1973)
 Jim Eric Alderman 12/26/1974
 Andrew Paul Alderman 11/13/1977
 Eleszabeth Edgar McNeel 03/17/1948
 m John Edward Philip Syka (06/18/1987)
 Rachel Winters 05/19/1989
 Frank Maynard Barlow 04/30/1915
 m Maude (Trainer) Barlow
 Samuel Barlow
 Douglas Barlow
 Lucille (Barlow) Burns
 m Fred Burns
 Fred Burns Jr.
 m Carolyn Burns
 Thomas Burns
 m Dreama Burns
 Larry Burns
 m Sheila Burns
 Linda (Burns)
 Juanita (Barlow) 10/07/1919
 m Robert Baxter
 m Jack Collins
 Jackie Collins
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 m Donald Gunter
 Jeannie Gunter
 m Patterson
 Evelyn (Barlow) Williams 3/10/1923
 m John Hunter Williams 03/08/1931 (04/20/1946)
 John Hunter Williams, Jr. 12/08/1949
 m Edie Byrne (05/27/1978)
 Mildred Catherine (Williams) Petersen 12/09/1951
 m Bruce N. Petersen 07/01/1948 (06/17/1978)
 Andrew Hunter Petersen 03/16/1985
 Julie Catherine Petersen 12/13/1986
 m Mabel Gum³
 Son (died at 7 mos.)
 m Richard
 Frank Pryne Barlow 07/14/1895
 Mary Susan (Barlow) Patterson 07/09/1883 - 01/20/1959
 m H.P. Patterson (10/11/1899)
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 George Barlow
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 Betsy (Barlow) Baxter
 m William Baxter

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Wednesday - April 20,

Dear Betsy & All the Family:

Since I received your nice letter written in March I have been think-
ing I would get it answered but as you can see - here it is the 20th of
April but maybe I can get this in the mail yet before the day is over.
I'm like you - I seem to stay busy all the time and find very little time
for writing letters. However, I think of all of you often and it is always
my intention to get started on a letter but the days get by entirely too
fast. Then too - I write so many letters and notes at Christmas that I
let down entirely for weeks and months. We enjoyed so much hearing from
you and how all of you spent Christmas etc. Am glad you had a lovely time.

We are as usual here at the present time and getting ready for a busy
spring and summer. The grass is about ready to be cut in the lawns and
when that starts it is a steady job for Bud. We had one of the very
unusual winters here. Hardly any snow but we did have several days with
cold temperatures. One morning in January it was 17 below and quite a few
other mornings we had 10 or 12 below zero. Not having snow on the ground
we didn't seem to notice how cold it was. I can't understand it, for all
the states around us had deep snow and even the western part of this state
but Lincoln and Omaha seemed to be in a dry area all winter long. March
was nice and dry all but one day and night. I believe that was about the
17th of March when we had a regular little blizzard. Blew down electric
wires and kicked up the "devil while it lasted. We were fortunate right
here where we live but all over the city folks were without heat, especially
where they had gas furnaces - no electricity to run them.

I want to thank you for sending me the clippings with your last letter.
We both have enjoyed the pictures of you and "Marty" very much and I'm glad
to have them. You are getting to be quit an author and in that respect you
remind me so much of my sister Lou. She always wanted to write books but
never got it accomplished, so maybe you are to fulfill her most cherished
desire, WHO KNOWS? You mention in your letter that you are doing some
research on the old homes, churches, schools etc. I think that will be
wonderful if you can rake up enough information on these older people who
were so important in making Pocahontas County what it is today.

You ask me if I might remember something of interest concerning Edwin
L. Beard and his family. Well, I'm not too good at remembering a lot of
things that I should be able to write you. However, I'm enclosing an old
clipping from the Culpeper paper of his death notice and I'm in hopes you
might be able to glean a few things from it. Just destroy it when you are
through with it. I have another clipping. He was the youngest son of
Josiah Beard and was born at Locust Creek, fell heir to the home place after
seeing both of his parents through - then he came to Hillsboro and started
the mercantile business. I don't know if anyone owned the store before him.
All of Josiah Beard's family were grand people. Edwin Beard's brother
Charles gave the land for the Cemetary there in Hillsboro. Edwin L. Beard
was an elder in the Presbyterian church in Hillsboro while he lived there.
He was the same in the Culpeper church too. One little thing that stands
out with me and I have always treasured in my heart was that we never had
breakfast without having chapel. He always read a passage of scripture and
said a prayer. The breakfast could wait but God's word came first. He
thought that was the right way to start the day and I think he was right.
I don't know if anyone occupied the house there in Hillsboro where we
lived or not before the Beard, but I do know the Beards owned it all along.
It was part of Josiah Beard's estate. I think he owned the largest part of
Hillsboro at one time. He gave all his sons a big slap of land when they

got married. Now, this is not much important information I'm giving you for your book but maybe I can think of something else as I go along and if I do - you will get it.

Bud is about the same as he has been for a long time. Hard for him to walk and he still shakes from the Parkinson in one arm, but he feels very good in other ways, so we feel very grateful that he is no worse than he is. He goes to his doctors at certain times and he gets a very good report each time. His eyes are doing very good, altho he has to have drops put in them four times a day. His arm (Right one) shakes too much for him to put the drops in, so that job falls to me. I don't mind it tho. Is a small thing to do if it keeps him from going blind, which the doctor says it will.

We are not having very nice weather today. For about four days we have had misty weather, just enough to make it dark and dreary. We need rain. Had a very nice Easter Sunday here. Bud just recently read the little book you sent us, title "I Plucked the Horsefeathers". He said to tell you he thinks it is a wonderful book and very interesting. I read it as soon as it came and I think the same thing. This man writes in such a real natural way one can't help but liking it.

I had a card from Irene while she was in Florida at Easter time. It is nice that they could all get away for this nice little vacation. I have not heard from any of the other relatives since shortly after Christmas. I presume we all write ourselves out during the Christmas holidays and then clam up for awhile. Mildred don't have much time after she gets through with the school work she does and then try to keep house besides. I never hear from Estelle but it is just as well.

We are having some trouble here in Omaha with "home-made bombs" being planted around in Grocery Stores and other places of business. There has been eleven of them up to this time and while no one has been killed - they have caused a lot of damage. It must be "pranksters" doing this but it is a very dangerous thing to do. There is quite a large reward out for them, but even so, they have not been caught. I don't think small kids could make these bombs, so it must be older youngsters or adults. If they keep it up someone is bound to be hurt or killed. I just heard on TV a few minutes ago that the Service Stations had been ordered to keep their "rest rooms" locked for safety. That seems to be one of their favorite places to plant these bombs. Can you imagine anyone having such an evil mind? I hope they are caught very soon and punished.

Well, I believe I have told you all for this time. Not such a good letter but I want you to hear from us. I hope not to be so long in writing next time. Please remember me to your Mother when you see her. I hope she keeps well this summer and enjoys herself like she always does. Love to all the family from us.

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For President
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The Beard relationship of Pocahontas as county all descend from Thomas Beard one of the members of the Rev. John Craig's congregation of Augusta county, Virginia. Rev. Craig was pastor of old Stone Meeting House. Back in that colonial time when the pioneers were so busy making history they had no time to record it. These old records were carefully taken down made readable by Chalkley. They are the official, accepted references of the D. A. R.

Thomas Beard left a quaint old will giving his several children certain house hold furniture, etc; and his wife Jean is remembered substantially, there in. But to go back to an earlier day in the 1740 ties and 50ties in Rockbridge county there is a record that Thomas Beard administered Alexander Smiley's estate in 1749. We do not know whether he was a relative or just a trusted friend. There is another record though that to me indicates who Jean Beard was: On August 15, 1753, we find Thomas Beard administrator of another estate. This time it is James McNutt and in this document it says James McNutt paid for land bought by Thomas Beard's wife. He paid quit rents for Thomas Beard ten years in advance in 1744.

He had paid David Hays debts before his marriage.

He paid Robert Alexander's tuition for schooling James Jr. and Robert McNutt one year. In advance 1748.

He paid James Dobbin's same for Alexander McNutt 1748.

In Price's History Cousin William knew there were some daughters, and he says: "They went to Kentucky." A good many of this relationship did go to Tennessee and Kentucky. But at least two of these daughters of Thomas Beard remained in Rockbridge and I think four, viz: Esther who married Robert Alexander in Pennsylvania. Martha who married Robert Ramsey. Mary who married Dunlap. Jane or Jean who married George Weir.

Esther and her husband, Robert Alexander lived at Beverly Manor, Augusta county Virginia. Robert Alexander was a graduate of the University of Dublin and Edinburgh. He was born at 'Manor Cunningham' Londonderry, Ireland in 1719, a direct descendant of Robert Bruce through sixteen generations. He came to Virginia in 1736, and married Esther Beard about 1739. They had eleven well known children.

Robert Alexander was made vestry man in 1748. This office constituted all local authority in the early colonies. It was considered a place of honor.

While coming to America a great storm arose at sea and he was obliged to throw his library overboard. This necessitated some shift to replace the missing. It is said he wrote many of these out in long hand from memory

and taught from these until he could obtain others. He started a private school of higher education at what is now Lexington, Va., in 1749. It was afterwards called Liberty Hall and is now Washington and Lee University.

Robert Alexander was compelled to resign from the Vestry on March 17, 1760. He says "I have been unable to go abroad for some time on account of a lingering illness." Sampson Mathews was elected in his stead but he was made vice vestryman. Sampson Archer and John Mathews were the church wardens.

Robert Alexander and his wife Esther Beard had eleven children. William was the oldest. He testified at a court on June 13, 1806, that he was then 65 years old. He died in 1829 in Virginia. Nothing more known.

Robert Jr. first clerk of Campbell county, Virginia, which office was held by him, his son and grandson for almost 100 years. The office was in his house "Rock Castle." He married Nancy Anne daughter of Captain William Austin and left many distinguished descendants both in Virginia and other states.

Archibald was a physician in New Castle, Del. he married Mary. I saw a write up only recently in "Who is Who" in America. Rear Admiral Eustace B. Rogers of the U. S. Navy was the subject of this sketch. He traced his ancestry through Dr. Archibald Alexander to Robert and Esther Beard Alexander. Thomas Beard Alexander moved to Galen county, Ohio, married and reared six children. Nothing further known.

Peter Alexander moved to Woodford county, Kentucky. He was living in 1822. He married and left a number of eminent descendants in that State some of whom were noted Divines. One Peter Alex Macfenny Steele, 1787.

Esther Alexander married Captain William Austin, his second wife, and thus became stepmother to her sister in-law Nancy Anne Austin, wife of Robert Alexander of Campbell county. Captain Austin held a commission from the British Crown as Captain until the Revolution. He then threw his lot with The American Patriots. They left many prominent descendants.

Sarah Alexander wasn't married until she was over twenty-one. She then married Col. John Wilson of Bath County, April 5, 1786. Her brother Peter, witnessed the ceremony. "She gave her own consent, being of age."

Eleanor Alexander married Samuel Wilson, June 27, 1790. Hugh Alexander her brother was surety.

Hugh nothing further.
Anne Alexander married Ballars or Ballow, nothing further.

James born 1766, married April 7, 1801, Margaret, daughter of James Lyle and his wife Hannah Alexander a daughter of Captain Archibald Alexander, brother of Robert Sr.

The Stephenson and Ballars of Bath and Highland counties, Va., are

from the daughters of Robert and Esther Beard Alexander's family.

James and Margaret Lyle Alexander are my great grandparents thru their daughter Martha Pauline who married Charles Alexander Dunlap of the Calf Pasture near Deerfield, Va. This old Beard ancestor came down to me through a double line my grand mother Sabina Janett Beard McNeel born Feb 8, 1844 and yet living at Ponca City, Oklahoma. Is a great granddaughter of Thomas and Jean Beard through their son John who married January 16, 1769; Janett, daughter of Peter and Martha Woods Wallace and in turn thru their son, Josiah Beard who lived at Locust Creek on the plantation given him by his father, in his will in 1808 and called it "Locust Plantation". Josiah Beard married Rachel Cameron, daughter of Major William and Nancy (Agnes Dunlap, grandmother Sabina McNeel says, was her real name) Warwick Gatewood widow of William Gatewood and daughter of Captain Jacob Warwick.

Esther Beard Alexander died in 1769. The Rockbridge County History says and Robert Alexander died in 1787.

Jane or Jean Beard, the two first names seem to be used interchangeably—married George Weir and we find him deceased by August 8, 1781, probably he lost his life at Gullford Court House or some other battle of that terrible year of the Revolution. He lived in Rockbridge and it was from that vicinity so many went and did lose their lives.

A son Thomas Weir survived and it seems others though no names are given.

It seems one James Young had bought a piece of land from the Eakins heirs, before one of them was of age. In this suit this heir is trying to recover his rights in this property from George Weir's heirs viz: Jane, the widow and Thomas her son. The Eakins Andrew and James who originally sold the property are dead; George Weir lives on the French Broad in Tenn.

In this suit William Alexander, son of Robert testifies: "I heard my Grandfather Thomas Beard say in 1759," unfortunately Chalkley does n't tell what it was, William's grandfather said.

In a suit in Dec. 1806, William Beard testifies he had married Mary or Polly Steele, daughter of Samuel Steele. The Steeles were then living in West Tennessee and in Kentucky. I suspect Peter Alexander was a brother-in-law to William Beard—as Peter had married Jenny Steele back in 1787. The Steele family were all in Kentucky and Tennessee. William Beard deposes in a suit in June 1806 that he was 74 or 75 years old.

James Houston was a neighbor of the Weirs as he appears often in legal affairs of theirs and he appears with Cornelius Alexander as guardian for George Weir's orphans vs James Mitchell executor of Thomas Beard's will in 1769. This suit was brought to determine if Jean Beard Weir and her children had received the legacy

left her by her father Thomas Beard, November 21, 1786. The arbitrators found James Mitchel had not fulfilled his duty in settling the estate and that Mitchel must pay 22 pounds on or before Jean's eldest child came of age.

In Augusta county record one Jean Weir became the wife of Cornelius Alexander on March 17, 1785. What more logical in 1786 for Cornelius to be demanding an accounting of James Mitchel.

Martha Beard, or was it. One reference says it was Elizabeth married James Mitchel before 1769. For Thomas and Martha Mitchel are given a part of Thomas Beard's estate and again he refers to Thomas Mitchel's mother. At the time Thomas Beard died it looks as if his daughter Jean was single. James Mitchel was the administrator of the estate. From this we take it James must have been quite a business man. Men of this type nearly always know how to look out for their own interests. Here is Jean married and a mother, then a widow and her part of the estate still at Mitchels hands.

In less than a year after this marriage of Jean to Cornelius Alexander, we find him inquiring through the courts about the estate, and a settlement being agreed upon. James Houston was guardian for Jean and her children. Thomas Beard Sr. had a neighbor adjoining him in Rockbridge named John Houston in 1742. Probably the Houstons and Beards were close friends of old times. The Alexander children inter married with the Houstons and Paxtons from which family Sam Houston sprang.

Hugh Beard, son of Thomas married Sarah. He died in 1807 and Sarah died in 1801; their children were: Robert who married and had Nancy and Sally by 1806. Ann, Jane Alexander, Sarah. Sarah married Andrew Kenedy 1797; Esther, who married Mr. Hoffman and Thomas Beard, who was mentioned in his grandfather's will, 1769, married Sarah Jameson in 1785.

In the old deeds we find some of Thomas Beard's neighbors and his holdings in Rockbridge county, Va.

Back in 1750 Samuel Dunlap sold to David Dunlap 170 acres of land for 22 pounds, and to Thomas Beard 100 1-2 for 140 pounds. This was one tract.

In 1753 Thomas Beard is buying land again. This time it is 605 acres 23 p 56 on Moffetta Creek near John Roseman. In 1860 the same tract is sold by Thomas to William Beard for 100 pounds (Note that 1753 is the year James McNutt died).

William Pollack's farm adjoined Thomas Beard's in 1765 and John Montgomery's and Thomas Hill's are noted with him. We find Thomas Beard present for Pat Hays at a meeting of the vestry. Pat Hays' farm occupied Robert Alexander's. Hays was probably a son of the David Hays mentioned in 1753 in James McNutt's will.

On August 18, 1761. James McClure's will proved two of the witnesses had died, William Beard and William McClure. This must have been a relative of Thomas Beard. This McClure family inter married with the Alexanders. Old Captain Archibald Alexander's second wife was Jane McClure, 1757. Thomas Beard was exempted tax

levy in 1764. "Very aged".

In the will 1769, Thomas Beard speaks of his daughter, wife of Robert Ramsey as if she had died. One Robert Ramsey was killed by the Shawnees in 1759. His will was probated November 21, 1759, Robert Hall, administrator. Later on there is a note Isabelle Hall, wife of Robert, qualifies as administratrix of her late husband Robert Ramsey. This name Isabella doesn't sound familiar.

On May 15, 1769, Thomas Beard's will was probated, a lengthy preamble as was customary then the bequests.

He gave to his beloved wife Jean, all the cleared land where the house stood to the cleared land for turpines, where they last grew.

Then a daughter Fane and a daughter Jane were mentioned.

Again his mind goes back to the faithful old wife he wants her to have his elbow chair and a certain negro boy.

He left cleared land to his son Hugh, and Hugh's son Thomas was left 170 acres lying next to John Montgomery and Thomas Hill. Then he left 10 pounds each to the grandsons named Thomas—Thomas Alexander and Thomas Dunlap. To Robert Ramsey's children, testator's grandchildren, 12 pounds and 12 shillings each. A legacy to son William and to daughter Esther Alexander and Martha Mitchell; frequent provision for such issue in case daughter Jane have no issue.

Executors James Mitchell and Thomas Hill. Witnesses, John, Andrew and James Eakin. Proved October 18, 1769. Executors qualify with William Alexander, William Kenedy and Hugh Beard. The appraisers were John Montgomery, William Moore, Thomas Wilson.

The settlement showed the payment of Wm. Berkley, Jas. Eakin, Wm. Perrins, Thomas Alexander, Thomas Beard, Esther Alexander, Thomas Mitchel and his mother, Thomas Dunlap and his mother, Robert Ramsey's children, Martha Mitchell.

Thomas and Jean Beard deeded to their son John 183 acres of land on Cathey's Creek, some times called Jennings Branch, on May 20, 1765. It cornered with David McNaire. This was delivered to John Beard in January, 1769. I just wonder if May 20, 1765, could have been John Beard's twenty-first birthday, as he didn't accept this gift until his marriage, January 16, 1769.

In 1762-3, John Beard and William McClanahan were partners, making a crop on Locust Creek, "on the Spring Lick or Spring Creek plantation." This might have been in Greenbrier at the old Beard homestead.

The Preston and Virginia Papers, compiled by the University of Wisconsin say that John Beard was a captain under Col. Christian at Point Pleasant. Greenbrier was then embraced in Botetourte County. From the same source, I learn that Samuel Beard furnished beaves for the Cherokee expedition in 1776.

John Beard married Janett Wallace daughter of Peter Wallace, Jr., and Martha Woods Wallace. She was niece of the distinguished statesman James Woods of Virginia. In hunting out the Wallace kin, I came on the name of George Seldon Wallace as author of "Peter Wallace's Genealogy." I coveted the book, if it was about my own family, but the catalog did not say what place these Wallaces were from. By a strange coincidence, I came upon the name of the author in The Times as a friend of that friendly, beloved man, Andrew Price. I wrote Major Wallace at Huntington and asked him if he had written this book, and if he had, did he know that Andrew Price was a descendant of one Jan Wallace? He wrote, thanking me for the information. He sent a box to Cousin Andrew. Shortly afterwards those fine articles on the Wallace kith and kin appeared in The Times. And then only a few short months and our beloved cousin was with us no more. He has left something of himself in those printed pages and in memory we treasure.

The will book of Rockbridge County record something of these old Wallaces. Andrew Wallace's will was filed July 3, 1781; he was the ancestor of General Lew Wallace. He bequeaths to his sisters Janett and Sannah; his grandson Andrew; mother, Martha; brother Adam and brother-in-law, John Gilmer.

Dr. Archibald Alexander, President of Princeton Theological Seminary, recounts in a diary he kept in early life some interesting happenings of his childhood. He was born on the South Branch in Rockbridge in 1772. His father was William Alexander, eldest son of Captain Archibald Alexander, brother of Robert, of Timber Ridge. He tells of the school room of Revolutionary days. He says his father had erected a cabin down near the creek about a half mile from the house, and the sound of the students studying out loud could be easily heard to the house. This was the custom of that day. If a student was caught in silence he was thrashed with a hickory switch well laid on. This method encouraged each student to shout his lesson out loud while studying so that the teacher could see his diligence. When Dr Alexander was three, hi

father went to Baltimore and bought the time of three indentured servants. One of these was an educated Irishman named Reardon, whom the Alexanders trusted and liked. He carried little Archibald, aged three, on his back to the school. The boy wore his hair in a queue down his back. As his hair was extremely fine and thin, the other children teased him. For this Reardon used his whip vigorously, but he never touched little Archibald.

"Most of the English servants who had or had not served their time were released to fight in the Revolutionary war. My father's servants, James Malone, an Irish papist, Joe Lyon, a thievish Jew, and John Reardon, born in Ireland, and brought up and educated in London. Malone and the Jew went first. Malone was killed in battle in Carolina. Lyon, a very bad man, deserted to the British. Soon after Captain Adam Wallace's company reached the scene of warfare Col. Beaufort was attacked by Tarleton's corps. The Colonel, seeing his men in confusion, fled at the beginning of the battle, and almost the whole of his command was cut to pieces by the British dragoons.

The brave Wallace disdained to fly and, being entirely surrounded by the British horse, sold his life dearly, having first killed some three or four men with his spontoon.

Reardon, our servant, was in Captain Wallace's company, and being a small man, he was soon cut down—severely wounded but still conscious. After the battle he lay helpless and bleeding among the dead. When night came, the moon shone and Reardon saw a man passing near him, like some arch fiend, dispatching with his bayonet all who showed signs of life. Presently the fiend came toward Reardon, raised his musket, pointed the bayonet at his breast, and then Reardon

Died at his home in Hillsboro, Pocahontas Co., W. Va., on the 14th day of Feb. 1889, Joseph Beard, in the 79th year of his age. Born in Greenbrier Co., W. Va., on 20th day of September 1810 + removed to Pocahontas in 1857. Married Mattie Jordan, daughter of John Jordan. Three children: one son, John J. Beard, and two daughters, Mrs. Isaac McNeil, and Mrs. Wm L. McNeil, now deceased.

Lieut. John Jordan Beard.

It becomes our mournful duty to record the death of a widely-known and much esteemed citizen, John Jordan Beard, Huntersville, West Virginia. This event occurred rather unexpectedly, Monday, 11th a. m., April 11th, 1898.

Lieut. Beard was the only son of the late Joseph Beard and Mrs. Mattie Beard, near Hillsboro. He was born in Greenbrier County, April 21st, 1835, and was married to Minerva, daughter of James Edmiston, Esq., September 1866. At the time of his death he was within ten days of being 63 years of age. By this event his attached family is bereaved of a kind tender husband and a very affectionate and indulgent father. The community at large honors his memory as that of a good man whose influence has been for intelligence and good morals.

In the war between the States he served in the Bath Squadron, and made a record as a gallant and distinguished soldier. Late in the war he received a frightful wound that came near ending his life at the time. He survived to the surprise of every person familiar with its nature. For more than thirty years this wound has been a great personal affliction, and it is believed hastened the termination of his useful life. He has been a resident of Huntersville about 21 years. During this time he served the county two terms as clerk of both courts.

Early in life he professed piety, and maintained a consistent character as such in the pale of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was loyal and faithful to his commun-

ion, and greatly attached to her doctrines and usages.

He is survived by his wife and two sons, Harry and Fred Beard.

Being as Lieut. Beard was a person of ardent social and domestic impulses, as a matter of course it was natural for him to think of the sundering of sweet home ties, yet in his sincere way he assured his loved ones that they should not grieve too much about him, for all was and would be well with him.

A month or so since we had a pleasant interchange of views concerning the 23d Psalm. In this Psalm it appears that nothing but the shadow would touch those following the Lord our Shepherd when it comes to passing through the Valley. Having been a soldier and familiar with scenes in the presence of the my, that at such a time down at a prepared for one of the last things battle would be lit